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The LADIES' Diary 2.

OR

WOMAN'S ALMANACK, 2

For the Year of our LORD 1788;

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CHRONOLOGY OF REMARKABLE EVENTS. 1788.

<i>Y. of Christ.</i>		<i>Ys. since.</i>	<i>Y. of Christ.</i>		<i>Ys. since.</i>
1600	King Charles I. born	188	1714	Q. Ann died, K. Geo. I. succ.	74
1603	Q. Eliz. died, K. Ja. succ.	185	1715	Rebellion in the north	73
1603	A great Plague in London	185	1716	A very great frost	72
1605	Popish Gun-powder Plot	183	1726	Sir Isaac Newton died	62
1616	Shakspeare the poet died	172	1727	K. Geo. I. died, Geo. II. succ.	61
1625	K. James died, Cha. I. succ.	163	1739	War against Spain declared	49
1641	Bloody Irish massacre	147	1739	A very great frost	49
1642	Sir I. Newton born, Dec. 25	146	1743	A great comet appeared	45
1649	K. Charles I. beheaded	139	1744	War against France declared	44
1658	Oliver Cromwell died	130	1745	Rebellion in Scotland	43
1660	K. Charles II. restored	128	1748	A general peace	40
1662	Royal Society instituted	126	1750	Westminster bridge finished	38
1665	Died of the plague 68,586	123	1752	Date and Calendar altered	36
1666	Great fire in London	122	1756	War against France declared	32
1666	War against Denmark decl.	122	1760	K. Geo. II. died, G. III. succ.	28
1667	Peace with Hol. Fr. & Den.	121	1762	American philos. soc instit.	26
1672	War against Holland decl.	116	1762	War against Spain declared	26
1672	Halfpence & Farth. coined	116	1763	Peace with France & Spain	25
1674	Peace with Holland procl.	114	1765	Otaheite discovered	23
1679	Habeas Corpus act passed	109	1770	Blackfriars bridge finished	18
1685	K. Cha. II. died, Ja. II. succ.	103	1772	A revolution in Denmark	16
1688	Prince of Orange landed	100	1772	A revolution in Sweden	16
1688	K. James II. abdicated	100	1775	War against America begun	13
1689	Wm. and Mary crowned	99	1776	America declared independent	12
1693	Hackney coaches established	95	1778	French treaty with America	10
1702	K. Wm. died, Q. Ann succ.	86	1778	War against France begun	10
1702	War against France declared	86	1779	War against Spain begun	9
1707	England & Scotland united	81	1780	War against Holland begun	8
1713	Peace with France procl.	75	1783	A general peace	5

BIRTH-DAYS, [N.S.] and YEARS, of the ROYAL FAMILY of GREAT BRITAIN.

KING GEORGE III. June 4, 1738	Prince Aug. Fred. Jan. 27, 1773
Prince of Wales, August 12, 1762	Prince Adolph. Fred. Feb. 24, 1774
Prince Frederick, August 16, 1763	Princess Mary, April 25, - 1776
Prince William Henry, Aug. 21, 1765	Princess Sophia, Nov. 3, - 1777
Prs. Charl. Aug. Mat. Sept. 29, 1766	Princess Amelia, Aug. 7, - 1783
Prince Edward, Nov. 2, - 1767	Queen Charlotte, May 19, - 1744
Prs. Augusta Sophia, Nov. 8, 1768	Prs. Augusta of Brunsw Aug. 11, 1737
Prs. Elizabeth, May 22, - 1770	Duke of Gloucester, Nov. 25, 1743
Prince Ernest Augustus, June 5, 1771	Duke of Cumberland, Nov. 7, 1745

YEARS OF BIRTHS of the Principal SOVEREIGN PRINCES of EUROPE.

Achmet IV. Grand Signor 1715	Joseph Ben. Aug. Emp. Germ. 1741
Charles, King of Spain, - 1716	Fred. William, King of Prussia, 1744
Pius VI. Pope - 1717	Gustavus, King of Sweden, 1746
Victor Amada Maria, K. Sardinia 1726	William V. Stadtholder, - 1748
Catherine, Empress of Russia, 1729	Christian VII. K. of Denmark, 1749
Stanislaus Aug. King of Poland 1732	Ferdinand IV. King of Sicily, 1751
Maria, Queen of Portugal - 1734	Lewis XVI. King of France 1754

	<i>Days</i>	<i>L.</i>
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24 Th		
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30 W		
31 Th		

N^o 85. January hath xxxi Days.

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New Moon, 8th, 54m. past 11 morn.

First Quarter, 16th, 57m. past 9 morn.

Full Moon 23d, 59m. past 1 morn.

Last Quarter, 30h, 15m. past 1 morn.

Sun enters ∞
19d. 18h. 48m.

1 Tu	Circumcision	8	5	3	55	23	s	1	1	m	19	24
2 W			4		56	22		56	2		30	25
3 Th			4		56			50	3		39	26
4 F			3		57			44	4		42	27
5 S	Old Christmas Day		2		58			38	5		40	28
6 F	Epiphany: Twelfth-day		1		59			31	6		32	29
7 M	Plow Monday		0	4	0			23	7		15	30
8 Tu	Lucian		0		0			15	D	fets		N
9 W		7	59		1			7	5	a	23	2
10 Th			58		2	21		58	6		30	3
11 F			57		3			49	7		39	4
12 S	Old New-Year's Day		56		4			39	8		47	5
13 F	1 S.a.Ep. Hil. Ca. T. be.		54		6			29	9		57	6
14 M	Orf. Term begins		53		7			19	11		8	7
15 Tu			52		8			8			morn	8
16 W			51		9	20		57	0		22	9
17 Th	Old Twelfth Day		50		10			45	1		39	10
18 F	Queen's B. day kept. Pri/ca		48		12			33	2		54	11
19 S			47		13			20	4		10	12
20 F	Septuag. Sun. Fabian.		46		14			8	5		16	13
21 M	Agnes Hilary, 1 ret.		44		16	19		54	6		11	14
22 Tu	Vincent		43		17			41	6		53	15
23 W	Hilary Term begins		41		19			27	D	rises		F
24 Th			40		20			13	6	a	50	17
25 F	Conversion of St. Paul		38		22	18		58	8		13	18
26 S			37		23			43	9		34	19
27 F	Sexag. Sun. Pr. Aug. F. b.		35		25			28	10		50	20
28 M	Hilary, 2 return		34		26			12			morn	21
29 Tu			32		28	17		56	0		5	22
30 W	K. Cha. I. mart. 1649		31		29			40	1		16	23
31 Th			29		31			23	2		25	24

Days	L. of D.		Day Inc.	D. breaks		Tw. ends		Sun Ent	Cl. bef. S.		7 Stars	So.	
1	7	50	0	6	6	0	6	0	4	41	4	1"	8 a 45
6		58		14	5	58		2	43	6	18		23
11	8	6		22		54		6	46	8	23		1
16		18		34		47	11	49	10	13	7		40
21		32		48		44	16	53	11	47			19
26		46	1	2		38	22	58	13	1	6		57

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February hath xxix Days.

1788.

New Moon, 7th, 5 m. past 6 morn.

First Quarter, 14th, 56m. past 8 night.

Full Moon, 21st, 49m. past 12 noon.

Last Quarter, 28th, 16m. past 8 night.

Sun enters ♈
18d. 9h. 38m.

M	W	Sundays, Holydays, &c.	Sun rises	Sun sets	Sun's decl.	D rises & sets	D's Age
D	D						
1	F		7 27	4 33	17 s 6	3 m 27	25
2	S	Purif. or Candlemas-day	25	35	16 49	4 21	26
3	T	Quinq. or Shrove S. <i>Blase</i>	24	36	31	5 6	27
4	M	Hilary, 3 return	22	38	13	5 42	28
5	Tu	Shrove Tuesday. <i>Agatha</i>	20	40	15 55	6 13	29
6	W	Ash Wednesday	19	41	37	6 36	30
7	Th		17	43	18	D sets	N
8	F		15	45	14 59	6 a 30	2
9	S	Hilary, 4th return	13	47	40	7 42	3
10	F	Sunday in Lent	11	49	21	8 54	4
11	M		9	51	1	10 6	5
12	Tu	Hilary Term ends	8	52	13 41	11 20	6
13	W	Ember Week. <i>Old Can. day</i>	6	54	21	morn	7
14	Th	<i>Valentine</i>	4	56	1	0 36	8
15	F		2	58	12 40	1 49	9
16	S		0	5	20	2 57	10
17	F	Sunday in Lent	6 58	2 11	59	3 57	11
18	M		56	4	38	4 44	12
19	Tu		54	6	16	5 21	13
20	W		52	8	10 55	5 51	14
21	Th		51	9	33	D rises	F
22	F		49	11	11	7 a 7	16
23	S		47	13	9 50	8 23	17
24	F	S. in L. St. Matthe. Pr.	45	15	27	9 41	18
25	M	[Ad. Fred. b.]	43	17	5	10 56	19
26	Tu		41	19	8 43	morn	20
27	W		39	21	20	0 8	21
28	Th		37	23	7 58	1 15	22
29	F		35	25	35	2 13	23

Days	L. of D.	Day Inc.	D. breaks	Tw. ends	Sun East	Cl. bef. S.	7 Stars So.
1	9 6	1 22	5 32	6 28	5 3	14' 3"	6 a 34
6	22	38	24	36	9	32	13
11	42	58	16	44	14	40	5 53
16	10 0	2 16	7	53	20	29	34
21	18	34	4 58	7 2	26	1	15
26	38	54	49	11	32	13 17	4 56

New Moon, 7th, 33m. past 11 night.

First Quarter, 15th, 19m. past 5 morn.

Full Moon, 21st, om. past 12 night.

Last Quarter, 29th, 25m. past 4 aftern.

Sun enters ♍
19d. 10h. 3m.

1	S	David	6	33	5	27	7	s	12	3	m	2	24
2	F	4 or Midle. S.	Chad	31		29	6		49	3		42	25
3	M			29		31			26	4		15	26
4	Tu			27		33			3	4		40	27
5	W			25		35	5		40	5		2	28
6	Th			23		37			17	5		24	29
7	F	Perpetua		21		39	4		53	D	fets		N
8	S			19		41			30	6	a	43	2
9	F	5 Sun. in Lent.		17		43			6	7		57	3
10	M			15		45	3		43	9		13	4
11	Tu			13		47			19	10		29	5
12	W	Gregory		11		49	2		56	11		44	6
13	Th			9		51			32		morn		7
14	F	Camb. Term ends		7		53			8	0		55	8
15	S	Orf. Term ends		5		55	1		45	1		56	9
16	F	6 Sun. in L. Palm Sun.		3		57			21	2		44	10
17	M	St. Patrick		1		59	0		57	3		23	11
18	Tu	Edw. K. of W. Saxons	5	59	6	1			34	3		56	12
19	W			57		3			10	4		23	13
20	Th	Maunday Thursday		55		5	0	n	14	4		45	14
21	F	Good Friday	Benedict	53		7			37	D	rises		F
22	S			51		9	1		1	7	a	22	16
23	F	Easter Day		49		11			25	8		39	17
24	M	Easter Monday		47		13			48	9		55	18
25	Tu	Easter Tuesday. Annun. of		45		15	2		12	11		4	19
26	W	[Lady Day]		43		17			35		morn		20
27	Th			41		19			59	0		7	21
28	F			39		21	3		22	1		0	22
29	S			37		23			45	1		44	23
30	F	Low Sunday		36		24	4		9	2		21	24
31	M			34		26			32	2		50	25

Days	L. of D.		Day Inc.		D.breaks		Tw. ends		Sun East		Cl. bef. S.		7 Stars So.	
1	10	54	3	10	4	42	7	18	5	37	12'	31''	4	a 41
6	11	14		30		31		29		43	11	22		23
11		34		50		20		40		49	10	3		5
16		54	4	10		10		50		56	8	38	3	46
21	12	14		30		0	8	0	6	2	7	7		28
26		34		50	3	48		12		8	5	35		10

New Moon, 6th, 17m. past 11 aftern.
 First Quarter, 13th, 52m. past 11 morn.
 Full Moon, 20th, at noon.
 Last Quarter, 28th, 39m. past 11 morn.

Sun enters 8
 18d. 22h. 47m.

1	Th		5	32	6	28	4 ^s	55	3	m	13	26
2	W	Def. and Cam. T. begin	30	30		5	18		3	35		27
3	Th	<i>Richard</i>	28	32		41			3	54		28
4	F	<i>St. Ambrose</i>	26	34	6	4	4		4	13		29
5	S	Old Lady day	24	36		26	4		4	30		30
6	F	2 Sunday after Easter	22	38		49			D	sets	N	
7	M	Easter Term 1 return	20	40	7	11	8	a	22			2
8	Th		18	42		34	9		40			3
9	W	Easter Term begins	16	44		56	10		52			4
10	Th		14	46	8	18	11		57			5
11	F		12	48		40			morn			6
12	S		10	50	9	2	0		50			7
13	F	3 Sunday after Easter	8	52		24	1		33			8
14	M	Easter Term 2 return	6	54		45	2		6			9
15	Th		5	55	10	6	2		34			10
16	W		3	57		28	2		57			11
17	Th		1	59		49	3		19			12
18	F		4	59	7	1	11	9	3	39		13
19	S	<i>Alphege</i>	57		3		30	4		0		14
20	F	4 Sunday after Easter	55		5		51		D	rises	F	
21	M	Easter Term 3 return	53		7	12	11	8	a	53		16
22	Th		51		9		31	9		58		17
23	W	<i>St. George.</i>	50		10		51	10		56		18
24	Th		48		12	13	10	11		44		19
25	F	<i>St. Mark. Prs. Maryb. 1776</i>	46		14		30			morn		20
26	S		44		16		49	0		24		21
27	F	<i> Rogation Sunday</i>	42		18	14	8	0		55		22
28	M	Easter Term 4 return	40		20		27	1		22		23
29	Th		39		21		45	1		43		24
30	W		37		23	15	4	2		2		25

Days	L. of D.	Day	Inc.	D. breaks	Tw. ends	Sun Fall	Cl. bef. S.	Stars So.				
1	12	56	5	12	3	31	8	31	6	16	3' 43"	2 a 48
6	13	16		32		19		43		22	2 14	30
11		36		52		4		58		28	0 49	11
16		54	6	10	2	52	9	11		24	0 a 27	1 53
21	14	14		30		38		25		39	1 33	34
26		22		48		23		4		45	2 29	15

New Moon, 6th, 46m. before 1 morn.
 First Quarter, 12th, 33m. past 5 aftern.
 Full Moon, 20th, 8m. past 1 morn.
 Last Quarter, 28th, 33m. past 4 morn.

Sun enters II
 19d. 23h. 21m.

1	Th	Ascenfi. St. Phi. & James	4	35	7	25	15	22	2	m	21	26
2	F	Easter Term 5 return		34		26		39	2		39	27
3	S	Invention of the Crofs		32		28		57	3		0	28
4	Th	Sunday after Ascension		30		30	16	14	3		21	29
5	M	Easter Term ends		28		32		31	3		48	30
6	Tu	John Ev. ante Port. Lat.		27		33		48	D	fets	N	
7	W			25		35	17	4	9	a	51	2
8	Th	Orf. Term ends		23		37		21	10		49	3
9	F			22		38		37	11		36	4
10	S			20		40		52	morn			5
11	Th	Whit Sunday		19		41	18	7	0		12	6
12	M	Whit Monday O. May Day		17		43		22	0		42	7
13	Tu	Whit Tuesday		16		44		37	1		5	8
14	W	Ember Week		14		46		51	1		27	9
15	Th			13		47	19	5	1		48	10
16	F			11		49		19	2		7	11
17	S			10		50		33	2		29	12
18	Th	Trinity Sunday		8		52		46	2		54	13
19	M	Q. Char. b. Dunstan. Trin.		7		53		58	3		24	14
20	Tu	[Te. 1 re.		6		54	20	11	D	rises	F	
21	W	Orf. Term begins		4		56		23	9	a	41	16
22	Th	Prs. Eliz. b. Cor. Christi		3		57		34	10		22	17
23	F	Trinity Term begins		2		58		46	10		57	18
24	S			0	8	0		57	11		24	19
25	Th	1 Sunday after Trinity	3	59		1	21	7	11		46	20
26	M	Augustin. Tri. Te. 2 ret.		58		2		18	morn			21
27	Tu	Ven. Bede		57		3		28	0		7	22
28	W			56		4		37	0		26	23
29	Th	K. Cha. II. Restored 1660		55		5		46	0		43	24
30	F			54		6		55	1		1	25
31	S			53		7	22	3	1		21	26

Days	L. of D.	Day Inc.	D. breaks	Tw. ends	Sun East	Cl. aft. S.	7 Stars So.								
1	14	50	7	6	2	5	9	59	6	50	3	12	0	a	56
6	15	6	22	1	51	10	13		56		42				37
11		22	38		29		35	7	0		58				18
16		38	54		6		59		5		59		11	m	58
21		52	8	8	0	30	11	36	9		45				39
26	16	4	20	No real Night					12		18				19

New Moon, 4th, 58m. past 8 morn.
 First Quarter, 10th, 38m. past 11 night.
 Full Moon, 18th, 26m. past 3 aftern.
 Last Quarter, 26th, 40m. past 6 aftern.

Sun enters α
 zod. 8h. 2m.

1	E	Sun. af. Trin.	Nicomede	3	52	8	8	22s	11	1	m	45	27
2	M	Trin. Term 3 return			51		9		19	2	14	28	
3	Tu				50		10		26	2	52	29	
4	W	K. Geo. III. b. 1738			49		11		33	D	fets	N	
5	Th	Pr. Er. Aug. b. 1771.	Bonif.		49		11		40	9	a	27	2
6	F				48		12		46	10	11	3	
7	S				47		13		51	10	43	4	
8	E	Sun. af. Trinity			47		13		57	11	8	5	
9	M	Trinity Term 4 return			46		14	23	1	11	31	6	
10	Tu				46		14		6	11	51	7	
11	W	St. Barnabas. Tri. T. ends			45		15		10	morn		8	
12	Th				45		15		14	0	10	9	
13	F				44		16		17	0	32	10	
14	S				44		16		20	0	56	11	
15	E	4 Sun. after Trin.			44		16		22	1	23	12	
16	M				43		17		24	1	57	13	
17	Tu	St. Alban							26	2	38	14	
18	W								27	D	rises	F	
19	Th								28	8	a	52	16
20	F	Transf. Edw. K. W. Sax.							28	9	24	17	
21	S	Longest Day							28	9	46	18	
22	E	5 Sun. after Trin.							27	10	7	19	
23	M								27	10	25	20	
24	Tu	Nativity of St. J. Baptist							25	10	43	21	
25	W				43		17		23	11	1	22	
26	Th				44		16		21	11	19	23	
27	F				44		16		19	11	40	24	
28	S				44		16		16	morn		25	
29	E	6 S. af. Trin. St. Peter			45		15		12	0	6	26	
30	M				45		15		9	0	38	27	

Longest Day at Lond.
 is 16h. 34m. 4sec.
 allowing 9m. 16sec.
 for refraction.

Days	L. of D.	Day Inc.	D. breaks	Tw. ends	Sun East	Cl. aft. S.	7 Stars So.
1	16	16	8	32			
6		24		40	7	16	10 m 54
11		30		46		18	34
16		34		50		19	14
21		34		50		20	55
26		32	ode. 2			21	32
						22	12

No night, but
 constant day
 or twilight.

New Moon, 3d, 15m. past 4 altern.
 First Quarter, 10th, 33m. past 7 morn.
 Full Moon, 18th, 34m. past 6 morn.
 Last Quarter, 26th, 10m. past 6 morn.

Sun enters ♍
 21d. 18h. 53m.

1	Lu	Sam. Commencement	3	46	8	14	23	5	1	m	22	28
2	W	Visitation of Virgin Mary		46		14		0	2		19	29
3	Th	Dog Days begin		47		13	22	55	D	fets		N
4	F	Transf. of St. Ma. Ca. T.c		48		12		50	8	a	34	2
5	S	Old Midsummer day		48		12		44	9		5	3
6	M	7 Sunday after Trinity		49		11		38	9		29	4
7	Tu			50		10		31	9		51	5
8	W			50		10		24	10		9	6
9	Th			51		9		17	10		32	7
10	F			52		8		9	10		55	8
11	S			53		7		1	11		21	9
12	M	8 Sunday after Trinity		54		6	21	53	11		53	10
13	Tu	Orford Aa		55		5		44		morn		11
14	W	Swithun		56		4		34	0		32	12
15	Th			57		3		25	1		18	13
16	F			58		2		15	2		11	14
17	S		4	0		0		5	3		11	15
18	M	Orf. Term ends		1	7	59	20	54	D	rises		F
19	Tu	9 Sun. af. Trin. Margaret		2		58		43	8	a	10	17
20	W			3		57		32	8		29	18
21	Th			5		55		20	8		46	19
22	F	Magda'en		6		54		8	9		4	20
23	S			7		53	19	55	9		22	21
24	M			9		51		43	9		43	22
25	Tu	St. James		10		50		30	10		6	23
26	W	St Anne		11		49		16	10		36	24
27	Th	10 Sunday after Trinity		13		47		3	11		11	25
28	F			14		46	18	49		morn		26
29	S			16		44		34	0		0	27
30	M			17		43		20	1		2	28
31	Tu			18		41		5	2		16	29

Days	L. of D.	Day dec.	D. breaks	Tw. ends	Sun East	Cl. bef. S.	7 Stars So.
1	16 28	0 6	No real Night		7 19	3' 28"	8 m 51
6	22	12			17	4 20	31
11	14	20			15	5 4	10
16	4	30			12	5 38	7 50
21	15 50	44			9	5 58	30
26	38	56	0 46	11 11	5	6 4	10

First Quarter, 7th, 18m. past 9 morn.
 Full Moon, 15th, 10m. past 2 aftern.
 Last Quarter, 22d, 38m. past 11 night,
 New Moon, 29th, 45m. past 3 aftern.

Sun enters ☊
 21d. 21h. 42m.

1	M	Gues	5	16	6	44	7	58	6	a	44	2
2	R	London burnt 1666	18			42		36	7		8	3
3	W		20			40		14	7		33	4
4	Th		22			38	6	52	8		3	5
5	F		23			37		29	8		38	6
6	S		25			35		7	9		20	7
7	E	16 Sun. a. Trin. Enurchus	27			33	5	44	10		9	8
8	M	Nativity of the V. Mary	29			31		22	11		5	9
9	Tu		31			29	4	59		morn		10
10	W		3			27		36	0		6	11
11	Th		35			25		13	1		11	12
12	F		37			23	3	5	2		17	13
13	S		39			21		27	3		23	14
14	E	17 S. af. Trin. Holy-Cross	41			19		4	4		31	15
15	M		43			17	2	41		D rises		F
16	Tu		45			15		18	6	a	9	17
17	W	Ember Week. Lambert	47			13	1	55	6		31	18
18	Th		49			11		31	6		58	19
19	F		51			9		8	7		28	20
20	S		53			7	0	45	8		8	21
21	E	18 S. af. Tri. St. Matthew	55			5		21	8		57	22
22	M	K. Geo. III. crown. 1761	57			3	s	2	9		58	23
23	Tu		59			1		26	11		9	24
24	W		6	1	5	59		4		morn		25
25	Th		3			57	1	1	0		28	26
26	F	St. Cyprian	4			56		36	1		50	27
27	S		6			54		59	3		13	28
28	E	19 Sunday after Trinity	8			52	2	2	4		36	29
29	M	St. Mich. Prs. Ch. A. M. b.	10			50		46		D sets		N
30	Tu	St. Jerome	12			48	3	10	5	a	43	2

Days	L. or D.		Day dec.	D. breaks	Tw. ends	Sun East	1. aft. S.		Stars So.					
1	13	28	3	0	3	7	8	53	6	20	0'	29"	4 m	50
6		10		24		21		30		20	2	7		34
11	12	50		44		34		26		14	3	49		14
16		30	4	4		45		15		7	5	33	3	56
21		10		24		56		4		1	7	17		2
26	11	52		42	4	7		53	5	55	0	9		27

First Quarter, 7th, 28m. past 3 morn.
 Full Moon, 15th, 50m. past 3 morn.
 Last Quarter, 22^d, 4^m. past 6 morn.
 New Moon, 29^h, 29m. past 3 morn.

Sun enters η
 22d. 5h. 39m.

1	S	Remigius	6	14	5	46	3 ^s 33	6	a	9	3	
2	Th			16		44	56	6	45		4	
3	F			18		42	4	20	7	25	5	
4	S			20		40	43	8	11		6	
5	M	20 Sunday after Trinity		22		38	5	6	9	5	7	
6	Th	Faith		24		36	29	10	5		8	
7	F			26		34	52	11	8		9	
8	W			28		32	6	15	morn		10	
9	Th	St. Denys		30		30	30	0	12		11	
10	F	Off. and Cam. T. beg.		32		28	7	0	1	19	12	
11	S			34		26	23	2	26		13	
12	M	21 Sunday after Trinity		36		24	46	3	34		14	
13	Th	Transf. of K. Edw. Conf.		38		22	8	8	4	42	15	
14	F			40		20	30	5	42		16	
15	W			42		18	53	D	rises	F		
16	Th			44		16	9	15	5	a	35	18
17	F	Etheldred		45		15	37	6	14		19	
18	S	St. Luke		47		13	58	6	59		20	
19	M	22 Sunday after Trinity		49		11	10	20	7	59	21	
20	Th			51		9	42	8	8		22	
21	F			53		7	11	3	10	21	23	
22	W			55		5	24	11	41		24	
23	Th			57		3	45	morn			25	
24	F			59		1	12	6	1	2	26	
25	S	K. Geo. III. Accel. Crisp.	7	1	+	59	27	2	22		27	
26	M	23 S. a. Trin. K. Geo. III		3		57	47	3	42		28	
27	Th	[Procl. 1700		4		5	13	7	5	2	29	
28	F	St. Simon and Jude		6		54	27	6	21		30	
29	W			8		52	47	D	fets	N		
30	Th			10		50	14	7	5	a	22	2
31	F			12		48	20	6	7		3	

Days	L. of D.	Day	dec.	D. breaks	Tw. ends	Sun East	Ci. alt.	S.	7 Stars	So.				
1	11	32	5	2	4	19	7	41	5	49	10'	37"	3 m	3
6		12		22		30		30		43	12	7	2	45
11	10	52		42		40		20		36	13	25		26
16		32	6	2		50		10		30	14	31		7
21		14		20		59		1		24	15	23	1	49
26	9	54		40	5	8	6	52		18	15	58		28

First Quarter, 5th, 53m. past 11 night.

Full Moon, 13th, 40m. past 5 even.

Last Quarter, 20th, 49m. past 1 aftern.

New Moon, 27th, 10m. past 6 even.

Sun enters ♄
21d. 1h. 52m.

1	S	All Saints	[Souls]	7	14	4	46	14	45	6	a	59	4
2	E	24 S. af. Tr. Pr. Ed. b. All		15			45	15	4	7		58	5
3	M	Mrs. Soph. b. Mic. T. 1 ret.		17			43		23	8		59	6
4	Tu			19			41		42	10		3	7
5	W	Powder Plot, 1605		21			39	16	0	11		9	8
6	Th	Leonard. Mich. Ter. beg.		23			38		18		morn		9
7	F	Duke of Camb. b. 1745		24			36		35	0	13		10
8	S	Pr. Aug. Soph. bo. 1753		26			34		53	1	18		11
9	E	25 Sunday after Trinity		27			33	17	10	2	27		12
10	M	Ld. Mayor's Day at Lond.		29			31		26	3	30		13
11	Tu	St. Martin		31			29		43	4	47		14
12	W	Mich. Term 2 return		32			28		59	5	59		15
13	Th	Britius		34			26	18	15		D rises		F
14	F			36			24		30	4	a	55	17
15	S	Machutus		37			23		45	5	51		18
16	E	26 Sunday after Trinity		39			21	19	0	6	56		19
17	M	Hugh Bp. of Lincoln		40			20		15	8	7		20
18	Tu	Mich. Term 3 return		42			18		29	9	30		21
19	W			43			17		43	10	49		22
20	Th	Edmund K. and M.		44			16		56		morn		23
21	F			46			14	20	9	0	9		24
22	S	Cecilia. Old Mart. day		47			13		22	1	26		25
23	E	27 S. af. Tri. St. Clement		48			12		34	2	38		26
24	M			50			10		46	4	1		27
25	Tu	D. Glou. b. Catharine. Mi.		51			9		58	5	15		28
26	W	[Term 4 re.		52			8	21	9	6	28		29
27	Th			53			7		20		D sets		N
28	F	Mich. Term ends		54			6		3	4	a	43	2
29	S			56			4		40	5	38		3
30	E	Advent Sun. St. Andrew		57			3		50	6	39		4

Days	L. of D.	Day dec.	D. break	Fw. ends	Sun East	Cl. aft. S.	7 Sta. S.	
1	9	32	7 2	5 17	6 43	5 12	16' 15"	1 m 7
6		16	18 24	36	6	16 7	0 47	
11		58	36 30	30	1	15 38	27	
16	8	42	52 36	24 36	4 56	14 48	6	
21		28	8 6 43	17 52	13 37	11 a 41		
26		16	18 40	11 48	12 6	20		

First Quarter, 5th, 46m. past 8 night.
 Full Moon, 13th, 22m. past 6 morn.
 Last Quarter, 19th, 4m. past 10 night.
 New Moon, 27th, 31m. past 11 morn.

Sun enters 19
 2od. 14h. 14m.

1	M		7	58	4	2	21	59	7	a	45	5
2	Tu			59		1	22	8	8	49		6
3	W		8	0		0		16	9	53		7
4	Th			0		0		24	10	58		8
5	F			1	3	59		31	morn			9
6	S	Nicholas		2		58		38	0	3		10
7	E	2 Sunday in Advent		3		57		45	1	9		11
8	M	Conception of V. Mary		4		56		51	2	18		12
9	Tu			4		56		56	3	27		13
10	W			5		55	23	2	4	40		14
11	Th			5		55		6	5	53		15
12	F			6		54		11	7	2		16
13	S	Lucy		6		54		14	D rises	F		
14	E	3 Sunday in Advent		7		53		18	5 a	41		18
15	M			7		53		21	7	2		19
16	Tu	O Sap. Cam. Term. ends		7		53		23	8	23		20
17	W	Ember Week. Orf. T. e.		8		52		25	9	47		21
18	Th							26	11	6		22
19	F							27	morn			23
20	S							28	0	23		24
21	E	4 S. in Ad. St. Tho. Sho. D.						28	1	38		25
22	M							27	2	53		26
23	Tu							27	4	5		27
24	W		8			52		25	5	12		28
25	Th	Christmas Day	7			53		23	6	16		29
26	F	St. Stephen	7			53		21	7	7		30
27	S	St. John	7			53		18	D sets	N		
28	E	1 Sun. af. Chri. Innocents	6			54		15	5 a	16		2
29	M		6			54		11	6	21		3
30	Tu		5			55		7	7	27		4
31	W	Silvester	5			55		2	8	32		5

Day	at D.	Day dec	D. break	w. ends	Sun East	Cl. aff. S	Stars So
1	8	4	8 30	5 55	6 5	4 45	10' 18"
6	7	56	38	58	2	43	8 14
11		50	44	50	1	41	5 58
16		46	48	6	0	40	3 32
21		44	50	5 59	39	1 2	9 53
26		46	o inc. 2	6	0	40	1b. 27

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CHRONOLOGICAL NOTES, &c. in 1788.

Dominical Letters	F E	Septuage. Sun.	Jan. 20	Ascension Day	May 1
Golden Number	3	Shrove Sunday	Feb. 3	Whit-Sunday	12
Epact	22	Lent begins	- 6	Trinity-Sunday	18
Cycle of the Sun	5	Easter Day	March 23	Advent-Sun.	Nov. 30
Roman Indiction	6				

ECLIPSES, &c.

THERE will be only two eclipses this year, and those both of the Sun, the one visible, and the other invisible.—I. A visible eclipse of the sun in the morning of June 4; the beginning at 7h. 24½m. in the morning, the middle at 8h. 11m.; and the end at 9h.; the digits being 3° 59' on the southern limb.—II. The sun will be eclipsed Nov. 27, about 10m. after 6 in the evening, or near 2 hours after sun-set, and therefore invisible here.

VENUS is an evening star till Aug. 8; and afterwards a morning star.

JUPITER is an evening star till June 29; and afterwards a morning star.

ANSWERS to the ENIGMAS.

1 Hope	4 Saddle	7 Bell	10 Pillow
2 Warming Pan	5 Nightingale	8 Auctioneer	11 May Day
3 Sleep	6 Nothing	9 Paper	12 or Prize, Sunday.

The Prize Enigma answered in a Charade, by Mr. R. Richardson.

See, to my first, the prostrate Persian bow,
And with low rev'rence pay his morning vow;
The soaring lark, sweet "herald of the morn!"
Proclaims my next o'er fields of waving corn.
Hail! *sacred tubule*, blest day of rest and peace!
When gracious heav'n bids care and sorrow cease.

The same answered by Ecclesiæ.

Rev'rence the Sabbath, O ye charming fair;
And let the Sunday-school's your bounty share.

The same by Mr. Thomas Truswell, of Nureaton.

All hail! sweet morn, thou bright auspicious day;
May all mankind thy sacred laws obey:
May bounteous heav'n, seas, ladies, pour on you
Celestial blessings, like the morning dew;
May you, when time itself no more shall be,
A Sabbath keep to all eternity.

Maria's answer to the same.

When God from chaos call'd this pond'rous globe,
He in six days perform'd th' amazing plan.
When finish'd, his blest world pronounc'd it good;
The seventh, proclaim'd a solemn prize for man.—
Tho' chang'd the day, the Sabbath still the same;
Let it be kept in reverence to his name.

An Acrostical answer by Mr. Wm. Bearcroft, of Newton.

S o God, by wisdom infinite, ordain'd,
A nd by example of his own confirm'd,
B oth unto man and beast, a day of rest.
B left Sabbath ! May we all with rev'rence keep,
A nd with profound devotion spend, that day,
T ill nature cease : then with the saints above,
H igh seated near the throne at God's right hand,
Enjoy a Sabbath of eternal rest.

The same answered by Mrs. F. C. North Shield.

First and best day of all the Seven,
On which we're taught the way to heaven,
And grace and glory are the prizes given.

The same by Mr. G. Lodge, of Linton.

Hail ever-sacred day ! when God did rest
From all created works, and call'd them blest ;
Hail christian Sabbath ! since it was on thee
Death lost his sting, the Grave his victory.

The same by Mr. G. Simkin, of Finedon.

The prize Enigma sure doth say,
It is the blessed Sabbath day,
In which good christians read and pray.

The same by Mr. T. Nield, Writing Master of Howarden School.

Sweet Hallelujah ! may thy solemn sound
On every Sunday in each church resound.

The same by Mr. Rich. Dening, of Chardstock, Dorset.

How sweet, how elegant, how gay
Are Sphinx's lines on Sabbath day.

Mr. W. P. Burman thus answers it.

The Sabbath keep, in virtue's cause be wise,
And endless bliss will be th' important prize.

The same answered by Miss Louisa Harpur.

How Israel's sons we christians did excel
In keeping Sabbaths, holy records tell :
The hapless wretch who did this day profane,
To a sad death their statutes did ordain.
Our Sabbath wears a holy, rev'rend form ;
Its rituals, sense and piety adorn.
Yet foulest acts deform its lovely face,
And cold neglect its sacred laws disgrace.
Sunday's scarce mark'd, but as a day to spend
In slothful ease, or pleasure's call attend.

The Prize Enigma answered by Kit Went.

Blest be the man whose lib'ral heart
Our Sunday schools began!
To train the youth in virtue's path
How godlike is the plan.

If ought on earth can merit praise,
Or heaven's favour gain,
To lead the youth in wisdom's ways,
Must surely both obtain.

The same, by Mr. Henry Holme, of Sleagill, near Appleby.

You all know, I dare say,
Brother Scrub in the play,
At a bumper was ne'er known to fail;

Ev'ry day in the week
From work he would sneak, [ale.
Save on Sunday, when bottling good

Other ingenious separate Answers to the Prize Enigma, which we have not room for here, are inserted at length, with the names of all the other Answerers, in our Supplement to the Ladies' Diary, printed this year, for the first time, and sold separate, price Six-pence; containing also general Solutions of the Enigmas, Rebutels, and Charades, as also a complete Alphabetical List of the names, with the numbers, of all the Enigmas that have been given in the Diaries, from their commencement in the year 1704, down to the present time.

All the Enigmas answered by the Rev. T. Baker.

Ladies, once more, your humble suppliant comes,

By Hope supported to your spacious rooms.

I

As twilight ushers in the new born May,

II

Here meek-ey'd Charity leads on the way.

No tuneful *Philomel* withholds your sleep,

5, 3

Nor *Auctioneer*, with all's too cheap—too cheap;

8

No *Saddled Courser* at your *Beil* appears,

4, 7

But your fam'd *Paper* the petition bears.

9

Here then, ye Fair—ye learned, rich and great,

For Sunday schools, I come an advocate.

12

An institution on as useful plan,

Perhaps, as ever reach'd the heart of man;

None better calculated to improve

The mind in true benevolence and love;

Your kind protection must secure success,

And thousands draw from scenes of wickedness.

Here they're united in one friendly band,

And to the house of God go hand in hand;

Their parents too, will oft well pleas'd repair,

To meet their children in the house of pray'r.

Wou'd you, each Sabbath, to the sacred dome,

See the vast offspring of th' unlearned come?

Or swift from mischief, ignorance and play,

These candidates for glory draw away?—

Wou'd you, when on the bed of sickness laid,

Gladly receive your blest Redeemer's aid?—

On your *Warm Pillow*, languishing in pain,

2, 10

Wou'd you that great Physician's help obtain;

And in the melancholy hour of death,

Amidst his smiles, in peace resign your breath:

Nothing beneath the sun will cheer you more,

6

Than that which you have done to save the poor.

B

The

The same answered by Miss Betty Smales.

Does Eland suppose, like an old <i>Auctioneer</i> ,	8
Exalted above us to proffer	
Old <i>Pillows</i> , old <i>Warming-pans</i> , <i>Saddles</i> and gear,	10, 2, 4
I'm glad to accept a good offer?	
Not so, gentle youth—in the bloom of my years,	
New sweethearts I get when I please,	
My <i>Sleep's</i> undisturb'd with domestical cares,	3
I enjoy a sweet <i>Sabbath</i> of ease.	12
You may waste ink and <i>Paper</i> , and puzzle your brain	9
On subjects more worthy your muse,	
Kind answers from me you shall never obtain,	
Nor is it unjust to refuse.	
Say why does the swain breathe his balsamic fire?	
Tho' <i>Nothing</i> can equal his verse,	6
It kindles not <i>Hope</i> —yet his strokes I admire,	1
But hark—I've a tale to rehearse.	
Last <i>May-day</i> , as blithsome I danc'd on the green,	11
Amidst the gay rustical throng,	
The lads of the village all hail'd me their queen,	
And the shepherds were pleas'd with my song.	
Young Damon the lovely, the pride of the swains,	
Enraptur'd attended the while,	
Then talk'd about love in such heart-stealing strains,	
That I could not refuse him a smile.	
Rich garlands of blue-bells, and primroses sweet,	7
He dress'd up with negligent art,	
My hand to salute he oft kneel'd at my feet,	
And he whisper'd away my fond heart.	
Since when, if I meet him in mead or in grove,	
As careless I ramble along,	
Sweet <i>Philomel</i> echos the praise of my love,	5
And Damon approves of my song.	

*Mr. Tho. Woolston's Answer to the Enigmas, Rebuses, and Charades.
Address'd to the ingenious Supporters of Lady Diana.*

In a peaceful warm spot, in a neat country town,	
On the banks of the Charwell, I set myself down,	
Some eight years ago, when I married a wife,	Enig.
In <i>Hopes</i> to improve the enjoyments of life.	1
E'er since fledg'd with comforts the moments have fled,	
And peace and contentment have pillow'd my head.	10
No loud <i>auctioneer</i> here disturbs my repose,	8, 1
But I calmly look round at the world as it goes;	
And tho' busy, in cheerfulness passes the day,	
And only am dull when Maria's away.	10

In return, whilst I manage more weighty affairs,
She leaves *nothing* undone that can soften my cares.

6

So when the day's clos'd, to enliven the night,
I read the enigmas, which give her delight:

Of *warming pans*, *saddles*, of *Philomel's* lay,
Of *Sunday*, of *paper*, of *bells*, and *May day*.

2, 4, 5
12, 9, 11, 7

Thus mutually pleas'd, without discord or strife
We tranquilly glide down the river of life,

Nor wish from each other abroad more to roam,
Since we find our chief happiness centers at home.

Messrs. *Richardsons*, *Pearson*, and all who engage
In the circle to grace fair *Diaria's* page,

Reb. 2, 4, 3

Having read this *short sketch*, if you relish the plan,
And are willing to know something more of the man,

You may find yours *T. Woolston*, most days in the year,
Near the *Church-yard* at *Adderb'ry*, in fair *Oxfordshire*.

I
Cb. 3
I

No fine *Turkey carpet* e'er fell to my lot,

But hearty kind welcome you'll find to my cot,
And the best it affords. Tho' I hope you're inclin'd

To a much higher banquet, the feast of the mind.

On the *rainbow* and *loadstone*, such topics sublime,
I could wish to converse, to improve well the time.

2, 4

And to please my fair guests we would pass a few hours
'Mong the *shrubs* of *Parnassus*, in culling sweet flowers,

To form a bouquet for the *Diary* next year,

If our Editor pleases to let it appear.

The same answered by Eugenio, of Banbury.

Behold, ye lovely Fair! exalted here

A novelty—a rhyming *auctioneer*:

8

One who defies the whole informing crew,

If register'd, and licenc'd but by you.

For the kind look that every heart beguiles

Alone I sell—and who shall tax your smiles? —

First, then, since *pillows*, *beds*, and *rooms* are cold,

10

My patent *stoves* and *warming pans* behold:

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But if the rosy blush of health you prize,

With prudence use them, or that blessing flies.

In vain shall *cygnets* then their down supply,

To lure soft *Slumbers* to the restless eye:

3

In vain shall *May* her blooming charms disclose,

11

Paint the gay landscape, scent the blushing rose;

In vain, *sweet warbler!* (*nothing* can delight)

5, 6

Shall thy soft song the lengthen'd walk invite;

Ev'n *hope* shall fail—but whither do I stray?

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My *paper*, *saddles*, *bells*, will ne'er be sold to-day

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To-morrow then—yet hold—To-morrow's *Sunday*,

12

Request we, then, your gentle smiles on Monday.

Sylvia's Apology to Castelio, on his complaining of her asking him to write, and giving him no Subject.

Castelio accept of my lay,
Awhile your resentment suspend,
Forgive the request of the day,
And Sylvia still is your friend.

'Twas cruel to ask, and not chuse
A theme for thy elegant wit,
But now, to assist the fond muse,
Twelve subjects I've luckily hit.

*Hope, warming-pan, pillow, and sleep,
A nightingale, paper, and bell;
Of my auction I pray take a peep,
Sure one of the subjects will sell.*

Four others remain still behind,
Nothing, May-day, a saddle, and Sunday;
Here matter enough you may find,
Should you write ev'ry moment till

[Monday.

The same answered by Mr. I. Townsend.

Hark! the *aussi neer's* avowing,
Ink and *paper* by him stand;
"Ladies now 'tis just a going,"
See the knocker in his hand.

Saddles, pans, nor bells invite me,
Polish'd steel, nor blazon'd arms,
Far more pleasant scenes delight me,
Full of sweet and lasting charms.

Lo! a lovely train aspiring,
Walking in the ways of truth,
These, the heav'n-taught soul admi-
Animates the blooming youth. [ring,

Hope sits smiling on each feature,
Chearful as a *May-day* queen;
Pbilomel, tho' lovely creature,
Never wore so bright a mien.

Heaven propitious on them shining,
Kindly deigns their steps to keep,
Thro' night's shades without repining,
Safely on their *pillows* sleep.

Free from slander and from folly,
Nothing can disturb their ease,
For they keep the *sabbath* holy.
Wisdom's ways are paths of peace.

Cousin Fanny's Visit. By Miss J. C. of Bath.

Long time I strove, but strove in vain,
Your prize enigma to explain.—

"The captain of a chosen few,
"Whose elder brother is a Jew:
"When this is rais'd, that is declin'd,"
Nothing in nature can I find
That will the least resemblance bring.
But hark! I hear the door-bell ring:

'Tis cousin Fanny, ever seen
Blithsome as a *May-day* queen.
Come sit my love, and let me hear
How you like Lady Di. this year.
Why ma'am, indeed I like her well,
I think she this year doth excel
All I have seen; for there you'll find
Most curious things of every kind.
An easy *saddle* they prepare,
For those inclin'd to take the air;
But should the sky forebode a shower,
At an *auction* you may waste an hour.
Each ev'ning when the moon shines
bright,

Sweet *Pbilomela* gives delight;

Should balmy *sleep* his poppies shed,
There's downy *pillows* for your head;
And what, dear ma'am, is strictly
true, [too.

Left you take cold, they'll *warm* them
This morning I brought these to light,
And 'pon my word I think they are
right.

This morning coz! I'm in surprize!
Why I've sought longer for the prize;
And thou't success was giving o'er
The instant you rang at the door;
But as all these you've found in one
day,

I'll now *hope* for the prize by *Sunday*.
Come, Fanny, as we've sat so long,
We'll have a cup of nice fouchong.
No, really, ma'am, I cannot stay;
I'll call again another day,
Then we'll again the theme renew.
Your servant, ma'am.—Dear coz a-
dieu.

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The same answered by Mrs. Sarah Porril, formerly Miss S. Walker.

Adieu ye melancholy shades,
Where *Pbilo.* sung my wild desires.
Ah fly, my soul, the lonely glades,
A husband claims my warmest fires.

Tho' racking pangs, and grief and
cares

Have my unstable mind oppress,
I cherish *hope* that future years
May bring me *downy days* of rest.

Our hearts for diff'rent causes bleed,
Passion and *pride* such woes create;

But bounteous heav'n is kind indeed,
To hide from us the *page* of fate.

The show of wealth I envy not,
Neither for fame nor titles long,
Simplicity embellishes our cot,
Far distant from the *howling* throng.

I'll e'er prefer the friendly kind,
To them who breathe malignant
breath;

In those a healing balm we find,
In these we've *naught* but stings and
death.

The same by Mr. Jos. Cowing, Schoolmaster, of Hexham.

My dear Lady Di,
This ev'ning I'll try
Your enigmas, tho' hid in disguise;
In *hopes* to attain

Both *saddle* and fame, [prize.
If by chance you should grant me the

But when I proceed,
Sleep puzzles my head, [strain;
And the ringing of *bells* checks my
I ne'er in my life
Lov'd clamour or strife,
So an *auctioneer's* life I disdain.

My wife she says Jo,
'Tis *Sunday* you know, [wed;
And *May-day* 12 months we were
The house was complete,
With furniture neat,
Both *pillows* and *pan* for the bed.

She spoke with such grace,
Love glow'd in her face,
The *nightingale's* voice not more clear;
Tho' *nothing* pertains
To me for my pains;
Adieu to your *book* till next year.

Miss Alexia Corney thus answers them.

Ye nymphs, and ye gay rustic swains,
Who joyously revel and play,
Prepare all the sports of your plains.
With me come and hail the new *May*.

With pleasure we'll carol along,
Hope tells us there's nothing to harm,
And *Pbilo.* shall swell the sweet song,
And the *bells* shall the slumbers alarm.

On my *paper* I'll write to my swain,
I'll bid him his *pillow* forsake,
Nor *sleep* any longer maintain,
But a *sabbath* from labour to take.

We no *saddle* or *warming pan* need,
Nor for *auction* have here any room.
Come my *Strephon*, dear youth fly with
And to this festive holiday come. [speed

On the Accomplishment of —, and addressed to —.

By Mr. John Unwin, of Wirsfworth.

Emma's fair as sweet *May-day*,
Handsome, witty, young, and gay;
Tuneful voice that far excels
Charming, plaintive *Philemel's*.
Virtue is her constant care,
Sabbath-day she spends in prayer;

All the riddles soon can tell,
Paper, *auctioneer*, and *bell*;
When the mystic veil she clear'd,
Pan and *saddle* plain appear'd.
All the charms of womankind
Center in her form and mind.

O most worthy Emma fair!
Object of my tender care;
Such the power your charms have
wrought,
You're my constant wish and
thought.

What a train of airy dreams
Round my *slum'ring pillow* swims!
O my joy, my *hope* of life,
Condescend to be my wife;
If you won't that bliss impart,
Nothing can delight my heart.

Mr. G. R.'s Complaint for the Flight of his Mistress,

Answering the Enigmas, Rebuses, and Charades.

Fond *hope* has not fled from my breast,
Since Jenny hath quitted the plain;
Al-s! I'm a stranger to *rest*,
I fear a more fortunate swain.

Could *nothing* entice her to stay!
The groves in full verdure are dress'd;
And *Philomel* warbles her lay.
As if by my anguish oppress'd.

The fields like a *carpet* are spread,
With flowers of various dyes;
The *rainbow* that's seen over head,
Shews not half so fair to the eyes.

'Twas only last *Sunday* in *May*,
She *bid* me to hope for her hand;

What then can *attract* her away!
I can't for my life understand.

I've consulted my *pillow* each night,
And bro't each transaction to mind;
But still I'm bewildered quite,
A plausible reason to find.

It ap-*pears-on* my side very bad,
And seems as I had misbehav'd;
Yet no quarrel we ever have had,
I vow as I hope to be sav'd.

Should you see my fugitive fair,
Dear ladies pray write me a line;
Or if I may find her say where,
To comfort this *warm* heart of mine.

All the Enigmas, Rebuses, and Charades, answered by Minor.

One <i>Sunday</i> last <i>summer</i> I saddled my steed;	12, 11, 4
For <i>Pearson</i> and I over night had agreed	R. 3
A sweet sentimental excursion to take,	
And visits to <i>Woolston</i> and <i>Richardson</i> make.	R. 1, 4
Affur'd of a welcome with friends such as these,	
Whom alike we esteem, alike wish to please;	
So with one we would dine, and just take a glass	
With 'tother the night we concluded to pass.	
And, as business requir'd our speedy return,	
We'd start from the <i>pillow</i> betimes the next morn,	10
And not like poor <i>Philo</i> , lie <i>dosing</i> all day.	5, 3
This being premis'd, we both posted away.	
No <i>rainbow</i> portentous of storms did appear,	Cb. 2
And nature's rich <i>carpet</i> embellish'd the year.	Cb. 1
Admiring the prospect we saunter'd along,	
And pass'd the <i>church-yard</i> while the <i>bells</i> sweetly rung:	Cb. 3. R 7
For <i>Damon</i> , a stranger to love's lament fire,	
That morning had wedded the niece of the squire,	
A doudy who <i>nothing</i> but riches could boast;	6
For which he a treasure far greater has lost,	
By leaving a nymph who for beauty and wit,	
None ever could vie, but <i>Jane Richardson</i> , yet,	R. 2
As the wretch was unworthy a maid so divine,	
I hope the sweet charmer will scorn to repine	

For

For a mean *questioner*, whose *loadstone* is self,
 And bargain'd for life with no care but for self.
 The pleasure we sought in so pleasant a ride,
 On this sad occasion was now laid aside;
 For home I return'd, quite resolv'd that ere night
 The whole of this matter I fairly would write.
 That it might in the *paper* next morning appear;
 And the story be blazon'd about far and near.

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Other Solutions of the Enigmas, with a list of the Names of the Answerers, may be seen in our Supplement.

ANSWERS to the REBUSES and CHARADES.

Rebuses. 1 Woolston, 2 Jane Richardson, 3 Pearson, 4 Richardson.
Charades. 1 Carpet, 2 Rainbow, 3 Church-yard 4 Loadstone.

Sylvia's Answer to the Rebuses.

Friend *Woolston* doth virtues possess,
 Sobriety, honesty, truth;
 And each day his *Maria* doth bless,
 Growing age for the cares of his youth.
 Tho' *Richardson*, *Pearson* may crave,
 I advise Bob to wed his fair cousin.
 But hold! a good wife he may have,
 'Twould be vain then to pick out a dozen.

The Charades answered by Juvenis Boxoniensis.

By *Loadstone's* aid, with mathematic lore,
 The mariner undaunted quits the shore,
 In quest of gain that foreign clime affords,
 From *Persia's carpet*, or *Golconda's* hoards:
 Metes out the heaven to know its watry way,
 Or *rain-bow* born from sol's reflected ray.
 But should old Ocean on his projects frown,
 Or ocean's author, for wise cause unknown,
 Oppose in full extent his hopes, his care,
 He sinks he dies, no peaceful *church-yard* there.

The Rebuses and Charades answered by Mr. John Jackson, of Hutton-Rudby School.

Tho' *Woolston* be versed in curious rhyme,
Jane Richardson also be fair;
 Tho' *Pearson* be virtuous too as the Nine,
 And *Richardson* verses prepare:
 On the *carpet* of life, thro' the well chequer'd year,
 If the tokens of *rain-bow* they mind;
 In the *church yard* at last, they all must appear,
 Death's *load-stone's* attraction they'll find,

The same answered by Mr. Philip Rutherford.

Tho' *Woolston* or *Richardson* others excel
In painting a *Rain-bow*, or writing verie well;
Tho' *Pearson* like loadstone attract by her hair,
Jane Richardson too be the pride of the fair;
They all must submit (may far hence be that day)
Beneath the green *carpet* in *church-yard* to lay.

The WEDDING; by Miss J. C.

What numbers are met in the *church-yard* below,
They quite hide the gay *carpet* of green!
In colours more splendid than *Iris's bow*,
The lovely *Jane Richardson's* seen.
Her silks are the choice of her brother, they say,
Who, like *Woolston*, his muse makes his pride:
The *loadstone* which draws them together to day,
Is that *Walton* makes *Pearson* a bride.

The same answered by Mr. John Fildes.

As Miss *Jane Richardson* and *Pearson* seem
Two beauties whom we can't enough esteem;
So *Richardson* and *Woolston's* matchless lays
Deserve all honour, and excel all praise.
In the richest *carpet* we can only view
A faint resemblance of the *rain-bow's* hue;
The *church-yard* swallows thousand's ev'ry year,
And the *loadstone* shews the seamen how to steer.

The Rebus answered by Mr. William Bearcroft, of Nawton.

Miss *Richardson* is justly prais'd,
And *Pearson's* virtues sure have rais'd
Friend *Walton's* am'rous fire:
When *Richardson* and *Woolston* deign
To sing in enigmatic strain,
We wonder and admire.

The Charades answered by Mr. T. B.

Tho' haughty *Turks* their *carpets* tread,
With *rainbow* colours dye;
The *church-yard* is the attractive bed
Where all distinctions lie.

The same answered by Mr. John Rutherford, of Charlbury.

Ye who have large possessions of your own,
Who walk on *carpets*, and who sleep on down,
Whose raiments with the splendid *rainbow* vie,
Reflect—in each *church-yard* what numbers lie.

The sov'reign *loadstone* which attracted them,
Will quickly draw you to the silent den.

See other Answers, with the list of Names, in the Supplement.

ANSWERS to the QUERIES.

QUERY 1. answered by Mr. G. Lodge, of Linton.

Caoutchouc, Indian Rubber, or Leadeater, are names given to a very elastic gum or resin, the produce of a tree which grows along the banks of the river of the Amazons. A very full account of which, and its singular properties, may be seen under the above word in the last edition of *Chambers's Cyclopaedia*.

The same, by John Dalton, of Kendal.

The Caoutchouc, or elastic gum, is an artificial production, made by combining smoke with the juice of an unknown tree, a native of Spanish America, as also of India and China. The European chymists are yet unacquainted with the process by which this combination is effected, as well as of the means used in forming it into bottles, the shape in which it is mostly seen in Europe. Some account of it may be seen in some late Elements of Chymistry, written in French.

QUERY 2. answered by Mr. Alex. Rowe, of Reginnis.

Between the arbors of a shady grove,
The seat of pleasure, or the scene of love;
Where gaudy songsters tune their matin lay,
And hail the rising of the purple day.

The same by Mr. John Jackson, of Hutton-Rudby School.

The place alluded to by this query, must be the situation of the eye; which either in the tallest person seen here, is scarcely 3 ells, of 3 quarters each, from the earth; or, otherwise, is that situation in the heavens, where an eye being placed, can only view the diameter of this earth apparently 3 ells broad.

QUERY 3. answered by Mr. G. Dixon, of London.

The properties of fire are as yet but imperfectly known; yet we may reasonably suppose that it cannot exist without air, and indeed requires a pretty strong body of it for its support. Now by the heat of the sun the body of air is rarefied, and consequently the force destroyed which it would otherwise have, did not the sun shine upon it.

Mr. John Dalton says, The reason why the sun, shining upon the fire, renders it so languid, seems to be owing to its rarefying the circumambient air. For it has been proved from a variety of experiments by Boyle and others, that combustible bodies burn with more or less vehemence, as the air they are in is condensed or rarefied.

And Mr. Jonathan Hornby, of Westerdale, says, The fire does not really go out, but only apparently so, on account of the sun's rays being more luminous than those of the fire.

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QUERY 4. answered by Mr. John Burrow, of Bolton Field.

Pledges were of very early date, as appears from *Exodus* xxii. 26. and *Deut.* xxiv. 10. 17. and several other places. The ancient pledge was a piece of silver, which was worn in the pocket. And as marriage was always held sacred, it was afterwards thought more prudent to have the pledge exposed more to view, by making it into a ring, and wearing it on the hand. And the fourth finger of the left hand was made choice of, because anatomists had discovered a vein which went from it to the heart; whence it might be truly said that the heart and hand were united.

The same, by Mr. Henry Lee, of Bingham.

The custom was introduced by the ancients, who used to present their mistresses with a ring, meaning thereby to express, as a ring has no end, so there should be no end of that love which is necessary to constitute connubial felicity. And it was put upon the fourth finger of the left hand, because anatomists affirm that there is a vein in it having a direct conveyance to the heart, which is the source of love and affection.

See other Solutions of the Queries, and a list of the Names, in the Supplement.

NEW ENIGMAS.

I. ENIGMA 697, by Eugeneio.

My num'rous beauties to compose
The elements combine;
And Art her friendly aid bestows,
To make those beauties shine.
A thousand lovely hues I wear,
A thousand shapes assume;
At court I decorate the fair,
And aid their native bloom.
Yet not to courts alone confin'd,
Or but in cities seen;

With rustic nymphs I favour find,
With them I tread the green.
When I my novel charms unfold,
By belles and beaux I'm priz'd:
And yet, how strange! if clad in gold,
By misers am despis'd.
Thousands by me are daily fed,
And all their wants supply'd;
Then let it not be falsely said,
I only heighten pride.

II. ENIGMA 698. by Mr. W. W. Crowle.

What prying eyes look for with care,
And range the woodlands thro',
I here present, ye lovely fair,
In mystic lines to you.
For you, 'tis known can, if you please,
Resolve each deep design:
Nothing can puzzle you, or tease,
Whose wits so brightly shine.
A neat rotunda I am seen,
Built by no vulgar hand;
A palace fitting for a queen,
As soon you'll understand.
In flow'ry meads, on hills, in vales,
In lonely woods, in shade,
In leafy groves, in verdant dales,
In fertile fields I'm made.

Upon the cliff I too am found,
And in the ragged rocks; [ground,
'Mong fern, and ling, on barren
In thickets, among flocks.
My maker, like the tim'rous hare,
Unwilling to reveal,
With art and labour takes due care
My being to conceal.
Of what I'm made I shall not say,
That I'll not bring to view:
My maker dwells in me in May,
In April makes me new.
But long ere now, I make no doubt,
Your piercing eyes have seen
What here is hid, you've found it out,
And robb'd both king and queen.

III. ENIGMA 699, by *Mr. R. Dening of Chardstock.*

A monster rare, ye ladies fair,
Himself now introduces;
In hopes that you will quickly shew
The world his name and qualities.
Devouring wretch, all he can catch,
He instantaneous seizes;
Has millions stout, I make no doubt,
Torn in ten thousand pieces.
Greedy of prey, day after day,
He runs with rapid motion;

Should you come near, his voice you'd
Loud as the troubled ocean. [hear
But then take care; he'll never spare;
He's wondrously ferocious:
When you come by an enemy,
You cannot be too cautious.
Take one hint more, and then explore
What here has been related;
This monster's food, right understood,
Is ours transmigrated.

IV. ENIGMA 700, by *Miss Amelia Harpur.*

In country, city, court I'm found;
Where'er you go I do abound;
The fairest belles I oft embrace;
To me they owe each charm, each
grace.
Tho' I've no elegance, nor sense,
These pleasing powers I can dispense;
Yet this one truth I needs must say,
Folly as freely I display;
And oft those opposites I bear
In the same breath unto your ear.
When music does the heart controul,
And with her magic charms the soul,
I must direct th' enchanting strain,
Or not a note you can obtain.

As to my stature, shape, or face,
These 'tis impossible to trace;
But so susceptible's my make,
With ease I all impressions take.
My disposition you will find,
Is sometimes rough, at others kind;
Often with heat intense I glow,
And oft am cold as Alpine snow.
Mild as Cyprea's gentle doves,
And sportive as the rosy loves;
Sweet as the lily's fragrant breath,
Or noisome as the house of death.
Ladies these opposites compare,
And my true name will soon appear.

V. ENIGMA 701, by *Mr. William Evans.*

By yawning cliff, and craggy dell,
And circling hills I'm found to dwell;
By winding stream, and shady grove,
Where such as mourn, and such as love,
Retire to vent their bliss or care,
While I their joy or sorrow share.
But not to rural scenes alone,
In towns and palaces I'm known;
Hid in the monumental tombs,
Hovering round the lofty domes;
At Paul's I hum the pious lays,
At Drury clap the actor's praise;

And curious prying wights who mind
In many a lane and corner find me. [me,
And when contending martial powers,
Each on each their vengeance showers;
And murderous engines rending roar,
Shake the earth from shore to shore;
Then I to join the general cry,
Mount in air, and scale the sky:
Yet what I am, where'er I've been,
I never was or can be seen.—
'Tis now an easy task, ye fair,
This something—nothing to declare.

VI. ENIGMA 702, by *Amintor.*

In northern climes where winds tempestuous blow,
And landscapes terminate with hills of snow,
With stature far above my neighbours best,
I proudly rear'd my lofty tow'ring crest.

In time my greatness and my cloud-capt fame,
 Is levell'd with the dust from whence I came ;
 And now a monster with his devious teeth,
 In my torn heart secures himself a sheath,
 With rage rapacious gnaws my vitals through,
 Though no advantage does to him accrue.
 I'm then transported from my native land,
 And on fair Albion's isle next take my stand ;
 Here my inveterate foe my course pursues,
 And with fresh malice former spleen renews.
 By tortures manifold my frame's disjoin'd,
 My many parts to many fates consign'd ;
 But one above the rest still undergoes
 Torments immense ere it oblivion knows ;
 Remorseless steel betwixt each fibre glides,
 And numerous particles from one divides ;
 When separated thus in bonds we're bound ;
 Nor have our woes a termination found ;
 The tortures which the holy scripture saith
 The wicked must experience after death,
 We next endure.—But hold, I've spoke too plain,
 Hence doubtless soon you will declare my name.

VII. ENIGMA 703, *by Mr. Tho. Jackson, of Belper.*

She comes ! she comes ! the baleful murderess comes !
 Her head adorn'd with hissing snakey plumes ;
 Her down-cast eye darts forth an angry gleam ;
 Her livid cheeks an inward woe proclaim :
 Save when ill-fated genius feels her power ;
 'Tis then, with joy, her murky heart runs o'er.
 At late—when an associated band
 Their dread artillery put in Fungus' hand ;
 Whilst unprepar'd, devoted to their spite,
 I felt her congregated poison's bite.
 She herds with ignorance ; yet her constant play
 Is to pursue where merit leads the way ;
 Which when security aids her coward power,
 Is sure to feel th' assassinating hour.
 But if detected, and her labour lost,
 Oh, with what sad convulsions is she toss'd !
 She pines, she writhes—and in a viperous rage,
 With subtle poisons doth herself engage ;
 Unus'd to live, if worth superior rise,
 She wounds her vitals, shrinks from sight, and dies.
 Ye witty fair ! this demon's name reveal ;
 And never let your minds her pretence feel.

VIII. ENIGMA 704, *by Mr. J. J. of Bungay School.*

Peace to the woodlands, and the winding shore,
 No longer let the shepherd tell his tale ;
 Now let the vocal throng be heard no more,
 Nor glowman whistling in the lowly vale.

For lo, I come, with silence in my train,
With balmy rest to ease the brow of care,
To lull to sleep the memory of pain,
While meditation leadeth up the rear.

Now to the crowded scenes of gay delight,
Where pleasure smiles amid her gaudy train,
I lead the fair, the British fair so bright,
Where gilded fashion spreads her wide domain.

I call sweet airy fancy from afar,
Who forms with varying hand the transient dream,
Then bid her mount her party-coloured car;
Enough—the fair will now perceive my name.

IX. ENIGMA 705, *by Miss Betty Smales.*

When rosy morning bids the tuneful throng
From woods and valleys swell the general song,
And early nymphs and shepherd swains arise,
I leave the grov'ling world, and mount the skies,
But strait's the gate, and narrow is the way
I pass, to reach the blissful realms of day:
My parent smiles when I'm exalted high;
But when I leave her, she prepares to die:
Soon as I'm born I quit her fostering breast,
And wandering seek in vain a place of rest.
But should I deviate from the narrow road,
I grieve the saint, and draw his soul from God.
I bring disorder'd looks, and broken sighs,
Prayers and curses, frowns and weeping eyes.
Tho' all disdain my presence to attend,
Yet kitchen Doll will own me for a friend;
There, an usurper, I supply the place
Of one that thinks his freedom no disgrace
In hostile fields where thundering cannons roar,
And dying soldiers welter in their gore,
I rove amid the croud, a foe to breath,
And make more horrible the field of death.

X. ENIGMA 706, *by Zythum.*

Ye meddling tribe of busy mortals, hush!
For once prevent a maid the modest blush;
Withhold sarcastic jeers, ye sneering sophs;
Guardians forbear your menaces and scoffs:
While I my wishes and my worth explain,
In hopes a faithful, loving, spouse to gain.—
No bonny lass in health was e'er more gay;
No lark in spring, no lambkin when at play;
Yet prudence guides my steps; for I disdain
The fly ambition of the treacherous swain.

What

What can't a female? Honour is my view,
 From censure free, unstain'd with folly too.
 Can beauty please? Can elegance of mein?
 Behold in me the charms of England's queen.
 The lily and the rose adorn my face,
 That virgin bloom, to chastity a grace.
 In order rang'd my jetty ringlets flow,
 And on my lips harmonious numbers glow.—
 Great Newton is my friend; through him I scan
 The works of nature, and the ways of man;
 Explore the orbs; describe the motion given
 To sun, to moon, and all the host of heaven.—
 The various readings of the sacred page
 Claim my attention, and my parts engage,
 The cavils of the atheist to controul,
 Confirm the good, and fix the wav'ring soul.—
 Now for my favour'd choice should e'er I wed,
 And take a partner to the bridal bed,
 Sound sense must be his lot, his manners mild,
 Old in strict virtue, but in vice a child;
 Polite and learned; not with pride o'ergrown;
 A tender heart congenial with my own.—
 Some prudish nymphs, more coy than chaste, may blame
 This honest freedom, and this virtuous flame:
 But stop your censure, ranc'rous spleen abate,
 First find the name of this my wish'd for mate;
 A *rara avis* he, for when he dies,
 Soon will another phoenix from his ashes rise.

See the rest of the new Enigmas in the Supplement.

New REBUSES, CHARADES, and QUERIES.

I. REBUS, by *Miss Emily Rivers.*

The fair who for love of Ulysses did sigh;
 The sad, solemn bird that in darkness does fly;
 The musical man who in hell sought his bride;
 The name to the young of a goat that's apply'd.
 Th' initials connect, and a hero you'll find,
 In whom worth and valour most rare were combin'd.

II. REBUS, by *W. H. Hall, Esq; Barrister at Law.*

One seventh of a dame that we oft times invoke,
 With the name of a beast that belongs to the yoke,
 Produces a person in Britain well known,
 Whose fame stands unrivalled, his enemies own.

III. REBUS

III. REBUS, by Mr. Geo. Stevenson, *Master of the Boarding-School, West Boldon, Durham.*

Suppose Aurora's offspring bright,
(Which in verdant meads you'll often find)
Appears reversed in your sight,
Ladies no doubt but in your mind,
You then will wish and hope to be,
What then before your eyes you see.

IV. REBUS, by Mr. William Boyer, of Leyland, near Preston.

To the beauteous dame for whom in days of yore,
So many Trojans fell in streaming gore;
Two-sevenths of her of whom the Spartans sing
Was daughter, wife, and mother to a king;
A river famous in the British land,
Two-thirds of it, and then you've at command
The name of one whom I so much revere,
And in my eyes is queen of all the fair.

V. REBUS, by Mr. S. Oxley.

To two-thirds of a bird of which poets have sung,
Add half of the place where she hatches her young.
To three-sevenths of a vest, add a lion's retreat;
Then the first son of Judah the name will complete
Of a beautiful damsel who shines in the north,
For virtue far famed, and matchless in worth.

See the Charades in the Supplement.

I. QUERY, by W. H. Hall, *Esq. Barrister at Law.*

Why is sound more distinct at night than in the day-time, though our faculties and the doctrine of sounds do not change?

II. QUERY, by Mr. James Williams, of Colyton School.

Whence or how arises the sound commonly called the singing of the tea-kettle?

III. QUERY, by Mr. Henry Lee, of Bingham.

Would it contribute to the happiness of the married state, were divorces more easily to be obtained?

IV. QUERY, by Mr. J. Jackson, of Hutton-Rudby School.

It is no less remarkable than true, that in the splitting of marble blocks, freestone, and even flinty rocks, cavities have been found, containing one or more live toads in them, which on being exposed to the air, have soon after died. Can any account be given, how these have been generated, or how sustained, in such a situation?

V. QUERY,

V. QUERY, by Mr. W. Bearcroft, of Nawton.

What is the reason that commonly the air is colder about the time of sun-rise and sun-set, than it is either before or after?

VI. QUERY, by Mr. William Clark, of Wistow, near Selby, Yorkshire.

What system of philosophy gives us the most convincing and demonstrative proof of the immortality of man?

* * * The Editor congratulates his numerous readers on having this year, at the frequent solicitation of many of his learned contributors, made room for a much greater number than usual of their very ingenious compositions, which it has always hitherto been with heart-felt reluctance that he was obliged to suppress for want of room. This desirable end he has attained by the publication of a Supplement to the Ladies' Diary this year, price 6 pence, (to be had separately of the same persons who sell the Diary itself), containing an alphabetical list of all the Enigmas that have been printed since the commencement of the Diary in the year 1704, with a great variety of the original compositions of our correspondents. And this Supplement being intended as an experiment this year, it is hoped that all true friends of the Diary will promote the sale and knowledge of it as much as in their power, that the Editor may judge how far it is agreeable to his readers to continue so great an improvement of the Diary in future years.

There will be eight prizes, to be determined by lot as usual, viz. two of 8 Diaries and Supplements for the Solution of the Prize Enigma, two of 8 Di. and Sup. for the general Solution of the Enigmas; two of 6 Di. and Sup. for the Solution of the Riddles, Queries, &c. also one of 10 and one of 8 Diaries for the Solution of the Prize Question.—All our correspondents letters must be sent before the 1st of May, and the separate Solutions of the Prize Enigma and Prize Question before Candlemas Day, and all franked or post paid, or they will not be received, many having being rejected last year on that account.—They are also still requested to make their compositions as brief as they can; and must observe to send Solutions with every thing new that they propose.

In answer to several who enquire for the early Diaries, it is observed that the republication of the whole till the year 1773 inclusive, in 5 vols. by Dr. Hutton, may be had at Robinson's or Baldwin's, in Paternoster Row, viz. the Poetry in 2 vols. and the Mathematics in 3 vols. also his Mathematical Miscellany in 1 vol.

ANSWERS to the MATHEMATICAL QUESTIONS.

I QUESTION 863 answered by Mr Tho Woolston,
of Adderbury.

FROM the second equation take twice the first, and we have $z = 13 + x$; and from three times the 1st equation take the 2d, and we have $y = 7 - 2x$: substitute these values of y and z in the 3d eq. and we have $x^2 - \frac{1}{2}x = 8$: whence we find $x = 3$; and conseq. $y = 1$, and $z = 16$; therefore the word is CAP.

Let this ornament, ye fair,
Still adorn your flowing hair;
Lay no decent forms aside,
Modesty should be your pride.

The same by Mr Geo Roope, of Tring Academy.

By taking the 1st equation, and the double of it, from the 2d, we get $y = 33 - 2z$, and $x = z - 13$; these substituted in the 3d equ. give $158z - 6z^2 = 992$. Hence $z = 16$, $x = 3$, and $y = 1$; and the ornament is a CAP.

The same by Mr Ja Scholefield, Schoolmaster at Brumley.

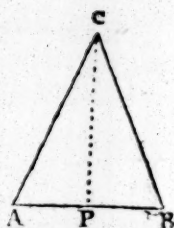
From the 2d equation take double the 1st, and $z = x + 13$; take this from the first, and $y = 7 - 2x$; place these values of z and y in the 3d equation, which then becomes $6x^2 - 2x = 48$; hence $x = 3$, $y = 1$, $z = 16$, and the answer a CAP, an ornament becoming all modest women.

Various other ingenious answers were given by Messrs Jas Adams, Allenfis, Amicus, Rd Ball, Rob Barwick, Mrs Eliz Bausor, Wm Bearcroft, Geo Bewick, John Birch, John Boden, R Bretberick, John Brownrigg, Wm P Burman, John Burrow, WC, John Cansfield, John Carwill, Geo Clayton, S Clement, Tho Cock, John Cooper, Jos Cwiving, Rob Croser, John Culyer, Jas Cunliffe, John Dalton, Rd Denning, G Dixon, Edw Emes, Rev L Evans, Evoc Egreceg Semaj, M Fleck, Tho Gell, J Griffith, Henry Holme, Jonathan Hornby, J Hunt, Jno Jackson, Wm King, Tho Mason, Jas Mc calfe, Wm Mudge, Jos Nendick, Geo Robarts, Chr Robinson, Alex Roave, Isaac Saul, Joe Sherwin, Tim Simpson, Jno Smith, Ges Stevenson, Jno Surtees, Hen Taylor, Jno Howard, Matt Terry, Miss Janetta Todd, Jno Untwin, J Walton, Rd Waugh, Wm White, Abel Whitehouse, Jas Williams, Jas Wood, B Worship, Jos Yeule, and Jas Young.

II QUESTION 864 answered by Mr R Bretherick, of
Kirkby - Overblow.

Those who would see this problem resolved in a general manner, for all polygons, may, I presume, have their curiosity abundantly satisfied by perusing the Scholium at pa. 81 of Dr Hutton's elegant Treatise on Mensuration. But for the sake of those who are not in possession of that book, I have copied one of the methods there laid down.

Suppose ABC to be one of the triangles which constitute any regular polygon: Then, 'as radius $= 1$: tang. $\angle CAP = t$: $AP:PC = t \times AP = \frac{1}{2}t$, supposing $AB = 1$; then $\frac{1}{2}t (= AP \times PC) =$ the $\triangle ACB$, and $\frac{1}{2}nt =$ the polygon; where n is the number of sides. So that, by finding the tangent of the $\angle CAP$, by the table of tangents, and multiplying it by the number of sides, $\frac{1}{2}$ of the product will be the multiplier required. Hence we obtain 9.365640 the multiplier for the undecagon, and 11.196152 for the duodecagon.



The same by Mr John Dalton, Teacher of the Mathematics, Kendal.

In the example for finding the multiplier for a dodecagon, Hawney seems to have fallen into several mistakes. After finding the perpendicular on one of the sides, he multiplies it by $.5$ or $\frac{1}{2}$, half the base or side of the decagon, which would give the area of one triangle, or $\frac{1}{12}$ of the whole; but by misplacing the decimal point, he in effect multiplies the said area by 10 , and concludes he has found the whole area of the dodecagon, when he has only $\frac{1}{12}$ or $\frac{5}{60}$ of it. In like manner he has mistaken $\frac{1}{11}$ of the area of the undecagon for the whole area.

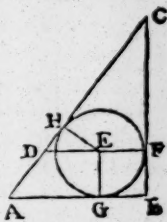
In one or other of these ways is the answer also given by Messrs Jas Adams, Allenfis, Anicus, Jno Aspland, Rd Ball, Rob Barwick, Mrs Eliz Bausor, Wm Bearcroft, Jno Birch, Jno Boden, Jno Brownrigg, Jno Burrow, WC, Jno Cansfield, Jno Cavil, Tho Cock, Jehn Cooper, Jos Cowling, Jno Cullyer, Jas Cunliffe, Rd Denning, G Dixon, Rev L Evans, M Fleck, J Griffith, Henry Holme, Jonathan Hornby, Jno Horward, Jno Jackson, Wm King, Jno Lowry, Jas Metcalfe, Wm Mudge, Geo Roberts, Chr Robinson, Geo Roope, Alex Rowe, Isaac Saul, Jas Scholefield, Tim Simpson, Jno Smith, Geo Stevenson, Jno Surtees, Henry Taylor, Matt Terry, Mijs Janetta Todd, J Walton, Rd Waugh, Wm White, Jas Williams, Tho Woolston, Jos Youle, and Jas Young.

III QUESTION 865 answered by Mr M Fleck.

Since the triangle is right-angled, the hypotenuse $2b$ must be the diameter of the circumscribing circle, which is given; then if $2s$ be the sum, and $2d$ the difference of the legs, the radius of the inscribed circle will be $= s - b$. Then since the given distance g is the hypotenuse, and d and $s - b$ the legs of another right-angled triangle, we have $g^2 = d^2 + s - b^2 = 3b^2 - 2sb$; hence $s = \frac{3b^2 - g^2}{2b}$, and $d = \sqrt{2b^2 - s^2}$. Which being now known, then $s + d =$ the greater leg, and $s - d =$ the less.

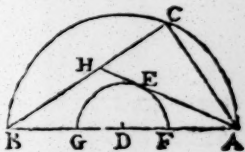
The same answered by Mr S Clement, Schoolmaster, Arundel.

Put AD or $DC = a$, $DE = b$, $HE = y$, and $DH = z$; then will $AB = a + y + z$, and $BC = a + y - z$. Now by right-angled triangles $y^2 + z^2 = b^2$, and $a + y + z^2 + a + y - z^2 = 4a^2$; therefore $2ay + b^2 = a^2$, and $y = \frac{a^2 - b^2}{2a}$ { the less radius. Then $z = \sqrt{b^2 - y^2}$ becomes known, and consequently the legs $a + y + z$ and $a + y - z$.



Mr Jno Burrow, of Bolton Field, constructs the Prob. thus:

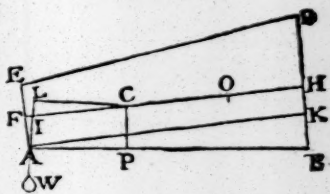
With the given radius AD describe the semicircle ACB ; and with the same center and given distance of the centers draw the other semicircle GEF ; draw AEH to touch GEF , and make the angle $HAC = HAB$; lastly join BC , and ABC is the triangle required; as is evident.



Ingenious solutions were also given by Messrs Adams, Amicus, Aspland, Allenfis, Ball, Birch, Boden, Bretherick, Camfield, Carwill, Clayton, Cock, Cowing, Cullyer, Cunliffe, Dalton, Evans, Griffith, Hornby, Howard, Jackson, King, Mudge, Robarts, Roope, Rowe, Saul, Scholefield, Smith, Stephenson, Surtees, Taylor, Terry, T Todd, Waugh, White, Williams, Woolfson, Youle, and Young.

IV QUESTION 866 answered by Amicus.

The lever $AEDB$ and weight w will rest in any position, provided their common center of gravity be supported; and because E it can then only be supported by the prop, when the lower side AB of the lever is horizontal; if P be the prop, and PC perp. to AB meet the axis FH of the lever in c ,



draw WAE parallel to CP cutting the axis in I , and CL parallel to AB in L ; then I may be considered as the place of the weight, c the common center of gravity of the weight and frustum, and o the center of gravity of the frustum. By the quest. $AE = b = 3$, $BD = 6$, $AP = LC = 3$, $FH = AK = 30 = a$, $BK = \frac{3}{2}$, and $AK : BK :: I : .05 :: 2 : n = .1$, or $2BK = na = 3$, $AB = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{3609}$, $AK : AB :: CL : CI = 3.003747 = e$, $IL = 2IF = \frac{1}{20} CL$, $FI = \frac{3}{40} = .075$, and $FC = 3.078747 = g$. Now in order that c may be the common center of gravity of the weight and frustum, it is manifestly necessary that $ew = Fo - g \times \text{solidity or weight of the frustum} = Fo - g \times \frac{1}{2} n^2 a^3 + b^2 a + n b a^2 = \frac{1}{2} b^2 a^2 + \frac{2}{3} n a^3 b + \frac{1}{4} n^2 a^4 - \frac{1}{3} n^2 a^3 g - b^2 a g - n b a^2 g = \frac{1}{12} b^2 a \times 17a - 28g$, or $w = 3174.495$ cubic inches of oak $= 91.8538$ lb. Averdupois.

The same by Mr John Dalton, Teacher of the Mathematics, Kendal.

The weights of the parts of the frustum on each side of the prop will be thus, the greater $= 17.367$ lb, the less $= 0.862$ lb. And from the directions of the writers on fluxions, the distance of the fulcrum from the center of gravity of the greater part is 16.0415 inches, and from that of the less part 1.4524 inches; which distances, multiplied by the respective weights, give the momenta of the two parts, the difference of which is the momentum of the required weight, which divided by 3, its distance from the fulcrum, gives the weight $= 92.446$ lb.

The same by Mr John Aspland, of Sobam.

$GI : GH :: EF - AB : DC - AB = 3$.
Put $EF = a = 6$, $DC = b = 3.3$, HI
 $= b = 27$; $\int \frac{3a^2 + 2ab + b^2}{a^2 + ab + b^2} \times \frac{1}{2}b = G$
then will $\int \frac{3a^2 + 2ab + b^2}{a^2 + ab + b^2} \int 16.041375$
be the distance of the center of gravity of
 DE from the point H . Again, put $AB \int \frac{3c^2 + 2cb + b^2}{c^2 + cb + b} \times \frac{1}{2}l =$
 $= c = 3$, and $GH = l = 3$; then will $\int \frac{3c^2 + 2cb + b^2}{c^2 + cb + b} \int 1.4523$ be
the distance of the center of gravity of DB from the point H . Now the solidity
of the part DE is 600.21 inc. and its weight 17.367 lb; and the solidity of
 DB is 29.79 inc. and its weight $.86197$ lb. Put now $d = 16.04137$,
 $r = 1.4523$, $w = 17.367$, and $\omega = .86197$, also $x =$ the weight
sought; then $rxw + lx = dw$, and hence $x = \frac{dw - rxw}{l} =$
 92.447 lb, the answer.

Ingenious answers were also given by Messrs Adams, Allensis, Ball, Birch, Boden, Bretberick, Burrow, Canfield, Culyer, Cunliffe, Emes, Evans, Hornby, Howard, Jackson, King, Leary, Mudge, Rozve, Saul, Scholesfield, Surtees, Taylor, Terry, T Todd, Waugh, White, Whitehouse, Williams, Woolson, and Young.

V QUESTION 867 answered by Mr Matt Terry, Land Surveyor.

Since the steelyard accurately weighs 60 cwt or 6720 lb when 243 lb is suspended on the 29th division, theref. $6720 : 243 :: 29 : 1\frac{109}{2245} = d$ the length of the short arm of the steelyard; and $d : 1 :: 118 : 112.5245$, instead of 112. Again, $d : 1 :: 243 : 231.7242$ lb, instead of 2 cwt or 224 lb. Hence, in weighing with the small weight, or 118 lb, the error on the first division is .5245, on the 2d twice as much, on the 3d thrice as much, and so on to the 29th division, where the error is 15.21 lb. And, in weighing with the greater weight, or 243 lb, from the 29th to the 59th division, the error on the 30th division is 7.7242 lb, on the 31st twice as much, on the 32d thrice as much, and so on to the last or 59th division, where the error is 30 times 7.7242 , or 231.7261 lb, or 2 cwt 7 lb.

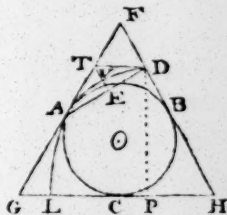
This question was answered nearly in the same manner by Messrs Adams, Allenfis, Amicus, Aspland, Ball, Birch, Boden, Bretberick, Burrows, Carvill, Cullyer, Dalton, Evans, Griffith, Howard, Jackson, Mudge, Rozos, Saul, Scholesfield, Smith, Stevenson, Surtees, Taylor, Waugh, White, Whitehouse, Williams, Woolfson, and Young.

VI QUESTION 868 answered.

There are two ways of considering this problem, viz. either as the semiparabola is a right one, or an oblique one. According to the common acceptation, it is taken as, and usually understood to be, a right parabola. But some of our correspondents have taken it as oblique, which makes the conclusion different, though each solution be right in its own way. We shall insert an example or two of each.

1. For the Oblique Parabola, by Amicus.

Circumscribe the given circle with an equilateral triangle FCH , touching it in A, B, C ; bisect AF in T , and to FH apply $TD = AT = TF$; join AD , and draw TE parallel to FH cutting AD in E ; bisect TE in V ; then with the vertex V , axis VE , and ordinate rightly applied AD , describe a parabola $DVAL$ cutting GH in L , so is $DALHD$ the semiparabola required.

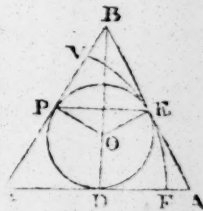


For since $TV = VE$, TA and TD are tangents to the parabola; and since $TD = TF = FD$, TD is parallel to GH ; conseq. the ordinate DE is parallel to the tangent TD , and the abscissa DH to the axis VE ; wherefore $HDAL$ is a semiparabola; and because the tangent GF is bisected in A , it is manifestly that required.

By sim. triangles, as $BH : DH :: 2 : 3 :: BO : AD = \frac{3}{2} BO = \frac{1}{2} BH \sqrt{3}$, or $BH = BF = BO \sqrt{3} = AB$; and $DE : DH :: AB^2 : BH^2$, or $DE = 3 BO$; and DP (perp. to GH) $= \frac{3}{4} FC = \frac{9}{4} BO$; and the area of the semiparabola $= \frac{9}{2} BO^2$.

2. For the Oblique Parabola, by Mr T Todd, of Darlington.

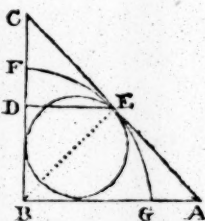
It is proved in art. 20 Simpson's Flux. that the equilateral triangle GBA is the least that can circumscribe the given circle DEF , where BA , perp. to the radius $OE = r$, is a tangent to both curves in the point E ; PE parallel to GA ; and BD perp. to GA . Then $OB = 2r$, and $GB = 2r\sqrt{3}$. Also since $BE = EA$, and, by the parabola $PV = VB = \frac{1}{4} GB$, it appears by Simpson's Geom. p. 201, that the required semiparabola $GVEF$ is now given, being the greatest that can be inscribed in the said triangle, and the least that can circumscribe the given circle;



hence then $\sqrt{P} : \sqrt{G} :: 1 : 3 :: PE^2 : GF^2 = 9r^2$, or $GF = 3r = BD$, and the area of the semiparabola $GVEF$ is $\frac{2}{3}GV \times GF \times \sin \angle G = \frac{\sqrt{3}'}{2} \times \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}r \times 3r = \frac{9}{2}r^2$ required.

3. For the Right Parabola, by Mr Isaac Saul,
Holland near Wigan.

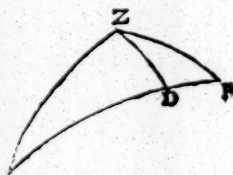
By theor. 8 Simp. Max. and Min. the least right-angled triangle circumscribing the circle, is when the legs BC , BA are equal. Also the greatest parallelogram that can be inscribed in any curve is when the sub-tangent $CD = DE = \frac{1}{2}CB$. Theref. circum. the given circle with the right-angled triangle ABC , making $AB = BC$; bisect BC in D , and DC in F ; then to the vertex F , axis FD , and ordinate DE , describe the parabola FEG required. Then, putting a for the radius of the circle, $BE = a + a\sqrt{2}$, and $BC = a\sqrt{6 + 4\sqrt{2}} = 2a + a\sqrt{2}$, and $BF = \frac{3}{4}BC$, and $DE = 2DF = \frac{1}{2}BC$; hence $FD : FB :: DE^2 : BG^2$, or $1 : 3 :: \frac{1}{4}BC^2 : BG^2 = \frac{2}{3}BC^2$, and $BG = \frac{1}{2}BC\sqrt{3}$. Conseq. the area of the semiparabola, or $\frac{2}{3}BF \times BG$, is $\frac{2}{3} \times \frac{3}{4}BC \times \frac{1}{2}BC\sqrt{3} = \frac{1}{4}BC^2\sqrt{3} = a^2 \times \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{6} = 5.047a^2$, as required.



Solutions were also given by Messrs Bretherick, Cunliffe, Dalton, Evans, Hornby, Howard, Jackson, Mudge, Rowe, Sanderfen, Tayler, Waugh, White, Williams, and Young.

VII QUESTION 869 answered by Mr John Howard,
Teacher of the Mathematics, Carlisle.

Let z be the zenith, p the pole, and o the sun's place; then we have given $zP = 40^\circ$ the co-latitude, also zo being the co-altitude, and po the co-declin. the altitude is $90 - zo$, and the declin. $po = 90$, the sum of which is $po - zo = 34^\circ 40' = PD$, by taking $OD = oz$. Then in the triangle zDP , are given PZ , PD , and $\angle P = 30^\circ$, to find the side DZ and $\angle PDZ$, the supplement of which is the $\angle ODZ = \angle OZD$. Then in the isosceles triangle ozD are given the base zD , and the angles at the base, to find oz or $OD = 67^\circ 31'$ the co-altitude; conseq. $PO = PD + DO = 102^\circ 11'$, and then $PO - 90 = 12^\circ 11'$ the declination south, answering to October 25th.



The same by Mr Rd Waugh, Bushblades, Durham.

Let a and $b = \sin$ and cosine of 50° , c and d the sine and cosine of $34^\circ 40'$, $m = \cos$ of 30° the $\angle P$, and x and y the sine and cosine of the declination. Then $cy - dx = \cos. zo$; and, by a well-known

theorem in spherics, $bmy \left\{ \frac{x}{y} = \frac{c - bm}{d - a} \right\} = \text{tang. of } 12^\circ 8' \text{ the de-}$
 $-ax = cy - dx$; hence $\left\{ \frac{x}{y} = \frac{c - bm}{d - a} \right\}$ clination, answering to the
 25th of October. Also the altitude $= 22^\circ 32'$.

Solutions were also given by Messrs Adams, Amicus, Aspland, Clement, Cock, Cullyer, Dalton, Evans, Hornby, Jackson, Mudge, Roope, Taylor, White, Williams, and Young.

VIII QUESTION 870 answered by the Rev L Evans, of Hungerford.

The times in which pendulums make an equal number of vibrations being as the roots of their lengths, we have $\sqrt{39\frac{1}{2}} : \sqrt{12} :: 20 : 11.06$ the time in which a pendulum of 12 inches makes 20 vibrations. Now let $x =$ depth of the well, $a = 16\frac{1}{2}$ feet the space through which a heavy body falls in the first second of time, $b = 1142$ feet the space through which sound passes in the same time, $c = 11.06$ the time given from the first descent of the stone to the hearing of the sound.

Then by the law of fall- $\left\{ \frac{x}{a} \right\}$, theref. $\sqrt{\frac{x}{a}}$ } = the time of the stone's
 ing bodies $a : x :: 12 : \left\{ \frac{x}{a} \right\}$ descent; and $b : x :: 1'' :$

$\frac{x}{b}$ } = time of the sound's } $\frac{x}{b} + \sqrt{\frac{x}{a}} = c$; and hence $x =$
 ascent; wherefore $\left\{ \frac{x}{b} + \sqrt{\frac{x}{a}} = c \right\}$

$\frac{b^2 + abc - b\sqrt{b^2 + abc}}{2a} = 1521.341$ feet, the depth.

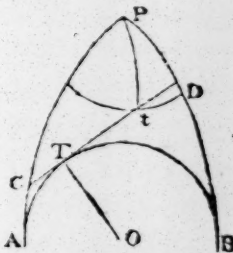
It was also ingeniously answered by Messrs Adams, Allenfis, Amicus, Aspland, Ball, Mrs Baufor, Birch, Boden, Eretherick, Furman, Furrow, W C, Canfield, Cavill, Clement, Cock, Cooper, Corwing, Cullyer, Dalton, Dening, Dixon, Hornby, Howard, Jackson, King, Leary, Mason, Mudge, Roope, Roope, Saul, Scholefield, Smith, Stevenson, Surtees, Taylor, Terry, Todd, Waugh, White, Whitehouse, Williams, Wood, Youle, and Young.

IX QUESTION 871 answered by Amicus.

If three tangents be drawn to the same given circle, their intersections will form a triangle, and if the intersection farthest from the centre be called the vertical angle, the tangent between it and the point of contact will be equal to half the perimeter of the triangle, if the triangle *does* not circumscribe the circle; and to half the diff. between the sum of the sides and base if it *does*.

Which property holds equally in spherical triangles as in plane ones, and is too evident to need a particular demonstration here. This premised,

Let the great circles PA , PB , forming the given vertical angle at P , be drawn, so that $AP = BP =$ half the given perimeter, and the less circle ATB touching them in A and B ; and round the pole P at a given distance therefrom $=$ the given perp. of the triangle, draw the representation of another lesser circle; then the representation of a great



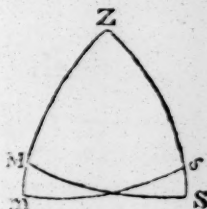
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by Simp. Max. and Min. hence $\left\{ \frac{CO \cdot CE}{OL} = CE \times \frac{2CO + CL}{CO + CL} = \frac{3ry - 2y^2}{\sqrt{2ry - y^2}} \right\}$; and $FI^2 = CM^2 - CF^2 = r^2 - \frac{3ry - 2y^2}{\sqrt{2ry - y^2}}$. But, by the nature of the parabola, $DE = DG = \frac{1}{2}EF = \frac{1}{3}DF$ from above, therefore $I : 3 :: EH^2 : FI^2 \left\{ \frac{3ry - 2y^2}{\sqrt{2ry - y^2}} \right\}$ which equation reduced $= 3y^2$. Conseq. $3y^2 = r^2 - \left\{ \frac{3ry - 2y^2}{\sqrt{2ry - y^2}} \right\}$ gives $y^3 - 6ry^2 + 1cr^2y - 2r^3 = 0$; the root of which is $y = .2307c8r = HE$. Hence $IN = 2y\sqrt{3} = .7991r$ the base of the parabola, and its absciss $DF = \frac{3}{2}GE = \frac{3}{2} \times \left\{ \frac{ry - y^2}{\sqrt{2ry - y^2}} \right\}$ is $= .416693r$.

Solutions were also given by Messrs Amicus, Breibrick, Cock, Dalton, Coock, Hornby, Howard, Mudge, Rowe, Todd, White, and Williams.

XI QUESTION 873 ans. by Mr Geo Sanderfon, of London.

Let M and s represent the true places of the moon and star or sun, and m and s the apparent places of the same; also z the zenith of the place. Put $A =$ sine of the half sum, and $R =$ sine of half remainder, in rule 1 last Diary; $x =$ sine of half the true distance Ms ; $d =$ sine of half the dist. of the true zenith distances zM, zs ; and $v = \text{vers. } \angle z$.



Then $v = \frac{A \times a}{\sin z m \times \sin z s} = \frac{\sin x + d \times \sin x - d}{\sin z m \times \sin z s} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{by Sim. Trig.} \\ \text{prop 27 cor. 1.} \end{array} \right.$

Therefore $\frac{A \times a \times \sin z m \times \sin z s}{\sin z m \times \sin z s} = x + d \times x - d = x^2 - d^2$.

Put $N =$ half sum log. sines of the factors in the numerator added to the arith. comp. log. sines of the factors in the denominator, from which subtract the log. of d ; $\left\{ \sqrt{\frac{x^2 - d^2}{d^2}} - 1 \right\} = \log. \text{ tang. of an } \left\{ \frac{x}{d} \right\} \text{ to rad. 1,}$ then $N - d = \log. \left\{ \sqrt{\frac{x^2 - d^2}{d^2}} - 1 \right\}$ arc whose secant is $\left\{ \frac{x}{d} \right\}$ the log. sine

of which is $\left\{ \sqrt{\frac{x^2 - d^2}{x^2}} \right\}$ which put $= l$; $\left\{ \frac{\sqrt{x^2 - d^2}}{\sqrt{x^2 - d^2}} \right\}$ the log. of $\left\{ \sqrt{\frac{x^2 - d^2}{x^2}} \right\}$ then $N - l = \log.$

$= \log. \text{ of } x$, or log. sine of half the true distance, as was to be investigated.

Ingenious demonstrations were also given by Messrs Amicus, Dalton, and White.

XII QUESTION 874 answered by Mr Abel Whitehouse, Wolverhampton.

Take the fluxion of the given equation, making y constant, and by reduction it is $2ax = yy$; the fluents of which give $4ax = y^2$; an equation to the parabola, the parameter being $4a$.

Much in the same manner is the solution given by Messrs Amicus, Aspland, Cunliffe, Dalton, Gould, Howard, Mudge, Rowe, Surtees, Terril, Todd, and White.

XIII QUESTION 875 answered by Mr John Dalton, Kendal.

If a falling body move with a uniform velocity, it must necessarily meet with a resistance, in the medium it is moving in, equal to its weight. Now it has been proved (Emerson's Mechan. prop. 108 cor. 3) that the resistance to a cylinder, moving in a fluid in the direction of its axis, is equal to the weight of a cylinder of that fluid, of the same base, and its length equal to the height a body falls in vacuo to acquire its velocity. Put now $g = 32\frac{1}{8}$ feet, $v = 10$ the velocity, then $g^2 : \left\{ \frac{v^2}{2} \right\}$ the altitude fallen to acquire the given velocity v , which $v^2 :: \frac{1}{2}g : \left\{ \frac{1}{2}g \right\}$ altitude call a ; put also $p = .7854$, $b = .075$ lb the weight of a cubic foot of air, $m = 200$ lb the man's weight, also $x =$ the diameter of the parachute. Then $50^2 : x^2 :: 150 : \frac{3}{5}x^2$ the weight of the same, which added to 200 or m , must be equal to the resistance, namely $abpx^2$, that is $\frac{3}{5}x^2 + m = abpx^2$; and hence $x =$

$$\sqrt{\frac{m}{abp - \frac{3}{5}}} = \sqrt{\frac{m}{bpr^2 - \frac{3}{5}}} = \sqrt{\frac{10000}{375p - 3}} = 100 \sqrt{\frac{2g}{375p - 6g}}$$

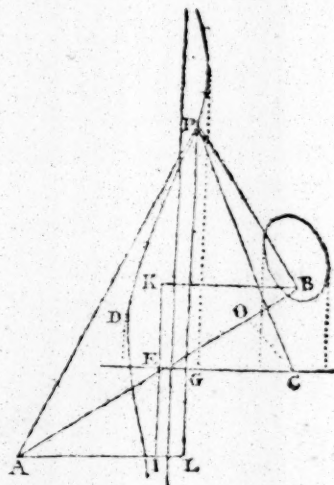
$$= 80\frac{5}{8} \text{ feet nearly, the diameter sought.}$$

Answers to this question were also given by Messrs Amicus, Aspland, Howard, Mudge, and Rowe.

XIV QUESTION 876 answered by Mr John Farey, London.

Let ABC be the three given points; join AB, which bisect in E, and draw EC, parallel to which draw KB, AL; also through E draw XI perp. to EC. Let P be a point in the curve, and join AP, BP, CP; also draw PL perp. to AL meeting EC in G.

Put $EC = m$, $KB = AI = n$, $KE = EI = GL = r$, the abscissa $EG = z$, and ordinate $PG = v$. Then $n + z^2 + v + r^2 = AP^2$, $n - z^2 + v - r^2 = BP^2$, and $m - z^2 + v^2 = CP^2$. Hence by the question $AP \times BP = CP^2$, or $\sqrt{n + z^2 + v + r^2} \times \sqrt{n - z^2 + v - r^2} = m - z^2 + v^2$.



To reduce this equation to the $\{m^2 + r^2 - n^2\}$ Newtonian form, make $z = x + \frac{r^2}{2m}$, and $v = y + \frac{r^2}{m}$;

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then, after proper reduction, $xy^2 + \left\{ \frac{rn^3 - r^3n - m^2rn}{m^2} \times y = -x^3 + \frac{2n^2 - 2r^2}{m} \right.$
 $\times x^2 + \frac{2m^2n^2 - 2m^2r^2 - m^4 - 5r^4 - 5n^4 + 14r^2n^2}{4m^2} \times x +$
 $\frac{m^4n^2 - m^4r^2 - 2m^2n^4 - 2m^2r^4 + 4m^2n^2r^2 - 7n^4r^2 + 7n^2r^4 + n^6 - r^6}{4m^3};$

which equation reduced gives $y = \left\{ \frac{m^2nr + n^2r^2 - n^3r \pm \sqrt{c}}{2m^2x} \right\}$, where c is the biquadratic equation under the vinculum. When $c = 0$, the four roots or values of x are

$\frac{r^2}{m}, \frac{n^2 - r^2 \pm m\sqrt{2n^2 - m^2 - 2r^2}}{2n},$ and $\frac{n^2}{m}.$ { From which it is evident

that if $\frac{1}{2}m^2 + r^2$ be less than n^2 , the curve will be Sir I. Newton's 33^d species, as in the figure; if $\frac{1}{2}m^2 + r^2 = n^2$, it will be the 34th species; and if $\frac{1}{2}m^2 + r^2$ be greater than n^2 , it will be the 37th species. Also if $r = n$, it will be the 38th species; if $n^2 = m^2 + r^2$, it will be the 40th species; and lastly if $n = 0$, it will be the 45th species.

Corol. When $r = 0$, (or the three points are in the same right line, as in quest. 696). and if m^2 be less than $2n^2$, the curve will be the 39th species; if $m^2 = 2n^2$, it will be the 41st species; if $m = n$, it will be a right line with a conjugate point; if m^2 be greater than $2n^2$, it will be the 45th species; and lastly if $m = 0$, it becomes the conic equilateral hyperbola.

Mr George Sanderfon, after giving the solution nearly as above, makes the following observations:

If D be the centre of a circle passing through the given points, and CO perp. to AB (C being always considered as the point from which the mean proportional is drawn); then if CO be less than a third proportional to $2AD$ and EB , the curve will be Newton's 33^d species; if CO be equal to the 3^d proportional, it will be the 34th species; and if CO be greater than the same, it will be the 37th species. If $CO = EO$, it will be the 38th species; and if $EO = 0$, or $AC = CB$, the 45th species; the asymptote being parallel to AB , and its distance from E equal to AD .

If $CO = 0$, or the three points in the same right line (AB), the asymptote is perp. to AB ; and if EC^2 be greater than $2EB^2$, the locus of the point P is still the 45th species; if $EC^2 = 2EB^2$, the 41st species; and if it be less, the 39th. If $EC = EB$, the asymptote passes through E , and is the locus of the point P , and B is a conjugate point. Lastly, if C fall in the point E , or $AC = CB$, it becomes a conic equilateral hyperbola whose foci are A and B .

This question was also answered by Messrs Amicus, Cock, Howard, and Plus Minus.

XV Or PRIZE QUESTION *ans. by Mr Geo Sanderfon, London.*

LEMMA. If $-m, -n, -r$ be the three roots or values of x in the equation $ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d = 0$; then 1st, if $r = m + n \pm 2\sqrt{mn}$,

As to Mr Stone's discoveries; I find that Sir I Newton's 59th figure to his 55th species is the locus of the equation $xy^2 = bx^2 - cx + d$; where the two roots or values of x , when $y=0$, or $bx^2 - cx + d = 0$, are both positive. But as no notice is there taken of the locus of the equation $xy^2 = bx^2 + cx + d$, let us describe it here; taking for an example the numeral equation $xy^2 = 4x^2 + 56x + 160$, or $y =$

$\pm \sqrt{\frac{4x^2 + 56x + 160}{x}}$, { where the two roots or values of x when $y=0$, or $4x^2 + 56x + 160 = 0$, are -4 and -10 .

Draw two indefinite right lines AB and AS cutting each other at right angles in A , (fig. 2). Let A be the beginning of the abscissa AB , and AS the first ordinate; then if AB be represented by $+x$, and BC its corresponding ordinate by y ; on AB , but on the contrary side of A , take $A\tau = -4$, and $A\iota = -10$. If $x=0$, then $\pm BC$ is infinite, and the curve runs on infinitely towards S ; therefore AS is an asymptote to two hyperbolic legs equally distant from AB . If $+x$ be infinite, then $\left\{ \sqrt{\frac{4x^2 + 56x + 160}{x}} \right\}$ becomes $y = 2\sqrt{x}$, or $y^2 = 4x$, an equation to the conic parabola, whose vertex is A , and parameter 4 : whence the curve has two parabolic legs joined to two hyperbolic ones, meeting the parabola at an infinite distance towards B . If $-x$ be taken $= -5$, then $y = \pm 2$: if $-x$ be taken $= -4$ or -10 , then $y = 0$, and the curve passes through the points τ and ι : if $-x$ be taken less than -4 , or greater than -10 , $\left\{ \sqrt{\frac{4x^2 + 56x + 160}{-x}} \right\}$ it is impossible, because the quantity under the vinculum is negative, and no part of the curve can fall between AS and τ , or beyond ι ; therefore the part of the locus lying on that side of AS is an oval, and the curve consists of two hyperbolo-parabolic figures on one side of the asymptote AS , with an oval on the contrary side.

If the two roots be equal, the oval becomes a conjugate point; which is Stone's second species. If the two roots be impossible, the curve becomes Newton's 57th figure to his 53d species; and therefore Mr Stone's two should be the 57th and 58th species in the enumeration, the catalogue being deficient without them; that is, they should be the 53d and 54th in Newton's, and the 57th and 58th species in Stirling's enumeration.

The same answered by Amicus.

As, in fig. 2d of Sir Isaac Newton's 1st species, where $AD = -\frac{b}{2a}$ { is greater than the greatest root of the equation for the limits, when the conic hyperb. that bisects the ordinates of the curve, coincides with its asymptotes, and the term cy of conseq. is wanting, τ coincides with π , ι with π , and t with p , and that fig. 2d becomes the same with fig. 17th, or the 10th species, and when the oval vanishes, or the two less limits are equal, it becomes fig. 20 and species 13th: So, in

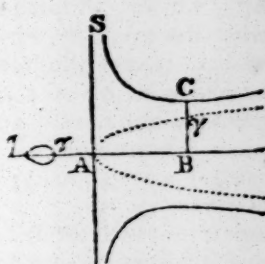


fig. 1st of the 1st species, where AD is less than the greatest root Ap , when the conic hyperbola coincides with its asymptotes, it is evident without farther illustration, that the hyperbola whose vertex is t must be wholly within the asymptotes DD , DD , whilst the other two cut them (as in fig. 21st) and the oval still remains within the triangle $DD\delta$ (as in the 10th species) bisected by the diameter AD ; and this is Mr Stirling's 11th species: and when, the two less limits being equal, the oval vanishes into a conjugate point, it is his 15th, and the same in appearance with Sir Isaac's fig. 21st, 15th species. And when, in the limiting equation $ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d = 0$, $4ac = b^2$, or the curve has three diameters, it is manifest that the only difference this can make, will be, that the hyperbolas c and r will be wholly within the angles at d and δ , as t is within p ; the oval must remain so long as the two less roots of this equation are real and unequal, which is Mr Stirling's 24th species, when they are equal the oval becomes a conjugate point, and this is his 25th species, and the appearance as in Sir Isaac's fig. 28th, species 22d.

As to the curves expressed by the equation $xy^2 = bx^2 + cx + d$, when it takes the form $xy^2 = c \times x^2 + b \times x + d$, $x + bd$; the first discovery of them is not due to Mr Stone, for there is not one word about them in the first edition of his Dictionary, but to M^r. Nic. Bernoulli, who died in 1726, the year in which that edition was published. They consist of two hyperbolo-parabolic curves like those in Sir Isaac's 57th fig. with an oval on the contrary side of the asymptote, if b and d be unequal; but with a conjugate point only, if they be equal. For, in the equation $xy^2 = c \times x + b \times x + d$, y is evidently equal 0, both when $x = -b$, and when $x = -d$.

This question was also ingeniously answered by Plus Minus.

NEW QUESTIONS.

I QUESTION 878, by Mr Geo Beswick, Coalshaw Green.

A Beautiful couple have lately been ty'd,
The groom was right lusty, and lovely the bride;
A simple equation will easily shew
The age of this couple, as noted below.

$2x^3 - x^4 - x^2 + 2x^2y - y^2 = \sqrt{x^5y} - \sqrt{x^3y} = 2xy$, where
 $x + y$ and y denote their ages in years.

II QUESTION 879, by Mr Tho Nield, Writing Master, Hawarden.

Measuring a small inclosure of a rectangular form, I observed that if 2 poles were added to the breadth and 5 to the length, the area would be increased by 430; but if 5 were added to the breadth and two to the length, it would be increased by 445. It is required from hence to find the length and breadth of the inclosure.

III QUESTION 880, by Mr Jonath. Hornby, Westerdale School.

Observed in the spring quarter, in latitude 22 deg. north, when the sun was due east, the difference between his altitude and hour from 6, in degrees, a maximum. Query the time of observation.

IV QUESTION 881, by Mr Timothy Simpson, Papplewick.

A certain gamester is willing to take the odds to a guinea, that he, with 9 half-pence, brings up 3 heads precisely, 4 times in 5 throws: what ought the odds to be?

V QUESTION 882, by Mr Matthew Terry, Land-Surveyor.

What must be the length of a pendulum vibrating seconds at the the distance of 4 radii from the earth's center?

VI QUESTION 883, by Mr Tho Truswell, of Nuneaton.

If a given cone, whose altitude is 10, and base 8, be cut by two planes, the one of which is parallel to the side, and the other to the base; required the point in the side where the two planes meet, when the area of their sections are equal to each other.

VII QUESTION 884, by Mr John Dalton, of Kendal.

In the semicircle ACB, whose diameter is AB, and OC perpendicular to it from the centre, from B there is drawn a chord BF to cut OC in E, and on the same chord there is taken BD equal to the radius of the semicircle; it is required to determine the rectangle DE. EF, a maximum.

VIII QUESTION 885, by Amicus.

A block of marble, in the form of the frustum of a hexagonal pyramid, the side of the less end being 6, and of the greater 9 inches, has six points on the external surface, one foot from the less end, upon any one of which it will rest in equilibrio, on the point of a needle fixed perpendicular to the horizon. The length of the block is required.

IX QUESTION 886, by Mr Thomas Tidd, of Darlington, late of West Smithfield, London.

If the debts $a, b, c, d, \&c.$ in pounds, payable at the end of n, n', n'', n''' , &c. years, &c. Then I say the equated time from the first term, by compound interest, will be equal to the difference of the logarithm, of the sum of the debts, and logarithm of the sum of the present worths divided by the logarithm of one pound and its interest for one year; whether it be computed \times the old method, by Kersey's, or by Malcolm's; all giving the same answer. Query the investigation by each method.

X QUESTION 887, by Mr John Farey, London.

Let GB be a defective hyperbola of Sir Isaac Newton's 44th species, A its conjugate point, B the vertex, and CH its asymptote; draw BI a tangent to the vertex parallel to the asymptote, on AB describe a semicircle, and draw any line AF, cutting the circle in D, the curve in E, and the tangent BI in F. Then I say $AC:CB::DE:EF$. Required a demonstration.

XI QUESTION 888, by Mr John Cullyer, Assistant at Mr M^r Kain's School, Bungay, Suffolk.

Being in a thunder storm, and having a cylindrical walking stick, 5 feet long; I held one end of it in my hand, and caused it to turn round in a conical motion, in which the other end described circles, parallel to the horizon, 6 feet in diameter; and the stick made 7 revolutions from the instant of my seeing the lightning till I heard the thunder. From which I desire to know the distance of the thunder-cloud from me.

XII QUESTION 889, by the Rev Mr John Hellins.

If there be four numbers A, B, C, D , in arithmetical progression, whose common difference is 1, that is, $A - 1 = B, B - 1 = C$, and $C - 1 = D$; and if $\left\{ \frac{a+2}{2a+1} \right\} = p$, and the modulus of Briggs's logarithms be put $c = a$, $\left\{ \frac{a+2}{2a+1} \right\}$ logarithms $= M$; and if a be not less than 100, $\left\{ \frac{M}{p a^3 - \frac{1}{2}} \right\}$ expresses the third difference of the logarithms of then shall $\left\{ p a^3 - \frac{1}{2} \right\}$ those numbers, true to 18 places of figures. Query the demonstration.

XIII QUESTION 890, by *Lieut. Wm Mudge, of the Royal Artillery.*

If a string with the weights W , w , one at each end, be hung on a pulley, and the greater weight W touch the pulley, so that the less may have the whole length of the thread to vibrate by; and if, at the instant when it has completed one vibration, and is about to describe another, the weight W be suffered to descend; query the time of vibration, and the nature of the curve.

XIV QUESTION 891, by *Major Edw Williams, of the Royal Artillery.*

It is required to assign the time of exhausting the ditches of a fortress of water, to within one inch of the bottom, by means of a rectangular cut or notch in the side from top to bottom, of 2 feet wide; the depth of the ditch or water being 9 feet, the breadth at top 30 feet, at bottom 32 feet, and the whole length of the ditches one mile.

XV Or PRIZE QUESTION 892, by *Mr Geo Sanderson, London:*

(Whoever answers it before Candlemas Day has a chance for 10, and another for 8 Diaries.)

In considering the prize question for last year, I find that fig. 20 of Newton's catalogue consists of two inscribed hyperbolas at d and g , and one containing its asymptotes within its own space at D ; and that fig. 21 consists of two ambiguous hyperbolas at d and g , and one inscribed at D , without oval or conjugate point. But between these two there are five more curves, essentially different from either; two of which have been described by Mr Stirling at pages 99 and 100. It is therefore required to determine the other three, with an example of a numeral equation for each.

QUERY by *Terricola.*

At what distance from the sun will a given burning glass make no alteration in the density of the solar rays?

. The prizes for the several solutions have been determined by lot as follows: First, for the Prize Question, to *Alicus 10*, and *Mr Geo Sanderson 8 Diaries*.---2d, for the Prize Enigma, to *Mr J Townsend* and *Mr John Culyer* each 8 Diaries and Supplements.---3d, for the general Answers to the Enigmas, to *Miss Betty Smales* and *Mr Henry Lee* each 8 Diaries and Supplements.---4th, for the Rebuses, &c, to *Mr M Fleck* and *Mr John Ruher* each 6 Diaries and Supplements. All of whom will please to send for them to *Mr R Horsfield, Stationers Hall*.

But all letters containing any matter for the use of the Diary, must be directed thus, "The Author of The Ladies Diary, Stationers Hall, London." And they must be franked or post paid, or they will not be received. Several were rejected this year by the postage not being paid.

† Erratum in the last Diary. In the fig. page 38, the oblique circle passing through A and R , should also pass through the point G .

Several Letters came too late to hand; viz. those of *Mess. Ball, Walton, Wilding*, and some others.

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